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QUEBEC PREMIER LAUDED FOR AID TO JEWISH SCHOOLS

(by a special reporter)

The Protestant schools of Montreal have agreed in principle to enter into agreements with the twelve Jewish day schools who have applied for associate status, it has been announced by the Jewish community negotiating team headed by Ben Butel, chairman of the Education Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress. They will pay up to $300 a year per child as of this month under the condition that children receive the secular education in the Day Schools gratis.

The agreements, which will be entered into within the next few weeks, essentially will be similar to the one which Montreal's United Talmud Torah made with the Protestant Schools Board of Greater St. Martin. When the agreement is signed, it must be submitted to the Minister of Education of Quebec for approval.

Immediate approval is expected to follow since Quebec Prime Minister Daniel Johnson and his Union Nationale Party accept the principle that minority groups must have equality in education and that the "grant will follow the child."

Israel Akerman, chairman of the Committee for Tax Supported Jewish Schools, showed pleasure and gratification with the news. He said:

"The Jewish school negotiators should be commended for their fine job despite extreme pessimism expressed in certain Jewish circles.

"It also is my belief that the change of heart of the Protestant Board of Greater Montreal could be related to a policy meeting held in Quebec City by the government at the end of December; it reafirms to the Jews of Quebec that the Province of Quebec intends to treat all minority groups fairly. Further, we are being treated and can expected in the future to be treated better in Quebec than in any other province of Canada. Much of this is due to the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Johnson."

IS THERE A MARTIN MID-EAST PLAN?

by the CJN diplomatic editor

Canada's Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson and Israeli Prime Minister Levi Eshkol isued a joint communique following their diplomatic talks in Ottawa. Besides the government heads participated:

Yaakov Herzog, the former Israeli ambassador to Canada; Aryeh Eshel, present Israeli ambassador; Canada's Foreign Minister Paul Martin, and his assistant, Ralph Collins.

In the statement Canada's position supporting U.N. mediator Jarring's role to bring Jews and Arabs together has been stressed.

It seems that from these negotiations a new peace plan from the Middle East may emerge. One diplomatic source told The Canadian Jewish News it may become known as the Martin Plan for the Middle East because of Secretary Martin's personal interest in "doing the impossible" to solve the Israeli problem.

The essence of the joint Canada-Israel communique is support of U.N. Mediator Gunnar Jarring, in order to bring together for direct negotiations the two parties involved in the present Mid-East conflict.

Furthermore the Vietnam war was discussed during these meetings.

Some Canadians believe a solution of the Vietnam conflict would ease the situation in the Middle East automatically. However, Canada supports Israel's basic position for direct negotiations as the road to peace.

CANADA JEWS PLEDGE SUPPORT TO ESHKOL

Montreal Leader SAMUEL BRONFMAN: Solidarity with Israel

Toronto Leader RAY D. WOLFE: We accept our responsibilities

Israel Premier speaking at Toronto's Beth Tzedec

HOW OTTAWA RECEIVED THE ISRAELI LEADERS

by BEVERLEY MORIN

Ottawa (special) — The season's heaviest snowfall retarded the arrival of Prime Minister Eshkol and his party by three-quarters of an hour on Monday, but both Prime Minister Pearson and members of his party were smiling and relaxed as they entered the East Block of The House of Commons.

After posing for pictures, the intimate talks began between the two Prime Ministers, Canada's Secretary of State, Paul Martin and Dr. Yaakov Herzog.

Following these came more general talks involving the complete Israeli party and other Canadian officials, which lasted until lunch at 24 Sussex Street and which was limited to eight persons, including both Prime Ministers, Mr. Martin, Dr. Herzog, Aviad Yaffe, Ambassador Arieh Eshel.

(The menu consisted of tomato consome, sole florentine (with spinach), a cheese platter and green salad, and frozen lemon souffle with orange sauce. This was accompained by a white wine.)

Following lunchean discussions, the Israeli party had tea at Rideau Hall, as guests of the Governor General and Mrs. Michener.

Mrs. Lester Pearson was hostess to a party of twelve in honor of Mrs. Levi Eshkol on Monday, at Rideau Gate, the house used by Heads of State when visiting Ottawa. Situated on the grounds of Government House, it was the setting for the luncheon which included: the wife of Israel's Ambassador to Canada, Mrs. Eshel; Mrs. Martin; Mrs Robichaud (wife of the Minister of Fisheries); Mrs. Lawrence Freiman also wives of Canadian officials. Also present was Mrs. Blair, the official Chatelaine of Rideau Gate.

(The menu included Dover sole, green beans, parsley potatoes, baby carrots and, for dessert Pot de Creme, a chocolate confection. Chablis was served during the meal, followed by coffee.)

LEADERS REACH FULL AGREEMENT ON PEACE EFFORT

by the special CJN reporter

The visit to Canada by Levi Eshkol, Prime Minister of Israel, which terminated Tuesday morning in Ottawa, undoubtedly has been a triumph for the leader of the Israeli state. Never in the history of Toronto's Jewish community has there been such an outburst of mass affection for a visiting dignitary as was noted Saturday night at Toronto's Beth Tzedec Synagogue when close to 7,000 people braved the snow to salute the man who symbolizes Israel.

● A similar demonstration took place in Montreal on Sunday night when Mr. Eshkol addressed the elite of the Jewish community in Canada's largest city. In Montreal the reception took place at the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue.

● In Ottawa an enthusiastic reception was given the Israeli premier and Mrs. Eshkol at the Jewish Community Centre on Monday.

The essence of Mr. Eshkol's appeal to Jews in Canada was:

● I came here "to seek out my brethren."

● To this call for Jewish solidarity which embattled Zion the leaders of both communities, Montreal and Toronto, responded in quasi-biblical terms: we shall do and we shall listen.

● In Montreal the reception was chaired by Samuel Bronfman; in Toronto, by United Jewish Welfare Fund president, Ray D. Wolfe.

Turning to Mr. Eshkol, in the face of the most enthusiastic audience ever seen, Mr. Wolfe responded with the following pledge:

"We are aware of our responsibilities and we shall meet them."

The meeting at Beth Tzedec also was addressed by Mr. Meyer W. Gasner, President of the Canadian Jewish Congress, and Mr. John Devor, leader of the Zionist Organization. At a dinner at Adath Israel, the chairman was former Mayor Phillip Givens and the invocation was delivered by Rabby Erwin Schild.

In Montreal, the invocation at the dinner was given by Rabbi S. Zambrowsky.

Upon his arrival in Canada, Premier Eshkol praised Toronto Jewry as an example for an organized Jewish community, mentioning the tremendous contribution to the Israel Emergency Fund during the Six Day War.

Following are some of the most important statements by Mr. Eshkol during his Canadian visit:

● I have arrived in Canada from my meeting with the President of the United States of America... I am still smiling.

● I do not speak to you in a mood of triumph because of our victory. I speak to you in sorrow because of the thousands of dead, the Jewish dead and Arab dead, who cannot be brought back to life.

● Our best wishes go to the families reunited in Israel as well as to the families reunited in Egypt.

● There can be no change in the present territorial status until such time when an agreeemnts is reached on the basis of "face to face talks" with the Arabs.

● The Prime Minister also appealed to the Israelis who had left Israel in recent years "to return home."

● Concerning the border clashes, there is a "limit to patience."

In Montreal Mr. Eshkol also addressed approximately 2,000 at the Hadassah Convention held at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. He also turned over the Israeli Pavillion to Mayor Jean Drapeau.

Commentary

by M.J. NURENBERGER

CANADA'S ANTI-JEWISH LOBBY

There is a definite connection between the intensification of the so-called Arab propaganda in this country and elsewhere on this continent and the diverse antisemitic groups. There is a noticeable revival of anti-Jewish organized activity in Canada. Here and there we note items about manifestations or statements made by notorious anti semites and other lesser known bigots. Also, one can record easily the similarity of slogans when demonstrations are held against Israel's battle for peace, a new deal in the Middle East and anti-American rabblerousing.

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Several weeks ago, this newspaper carried the information about a university professor who exploited his teaching position in order to engage in political activies on the campus. Not only did he attack "Zionism" but simultaneously he led a vicious smear campaign against the Canadian government. Apparently this professor has now ceased equating his students to his views on the world and on Canada.

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Quite often one also distinguishes the affinity between the so-called peace demonstrators who would like the Communist conspiracy to take over the under-developed countries without firing a shot. In this objective there is unity of purpose between the Black Power agitators, the local Canadian would-be Nazis and the very well financed Arab propaganda machine here.

While each of these groups was engaged in independent activities about a year ago, it seems that now they are in close contact. There is an underground communication between individuals and organizations. Also, their system of operation seems to be working so as to keep the main leaders anonymous.

A few weeks ago, I received a personal letter from a leading diplomat attached to the United Nations in which he explained the problems facing those who inform world public opinion about the true intentions of Israel.

At the United Nations, he writes, "Regional blocs dominate voting. When it suits the Arabs, they are pro-Negro, and they forget their own anti-black policies persistently pursued in such countries as the Sudan."

When this diplomat defines "one of the great tragedies... to come to grips with the Near East problem," he declares: "I am perturbed by the extent to which the permanent junion diplomats at the United Nations are constantly exposed to a stream of anti-Israel propaganda from thirteen Arab states. They meet socially, at cocktail parties, etc."

Furthermore Arab delegations have no problems of funds since their governments do not have to account to public opinion, to a parliament, for expenses incurred.

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I understand Jewish public relations in this country has become better organized recently. I hope it will be effective and will take into consideration the strange coalition of forces now waging this underground battle against the vital interests of Israel. Such vigilance on our part is not only in the best interests of the Jewish state; it is also in the best interests of world peace. For it is now clear beyond any doubt those who oppose Israel's struggle for the pacification of the Middle East are the same forces that have been undermining for years every effort toward a peaceful solution of international conflicts in any part of the world.

WILL ADDRESS TORONTO JEWRY. — Rabbi Isaac Meyer Lewin, world president of Agudat Israel and former Israeli Minister of Social Welfare, who wil address Toronto Jewry tomorrow night, January 20th, at Torath Emeth Jewish Center. (see editorial, page 4)

ARAB UNDERGROUND SPREADS PROPAGANDA IN CANADA'S CAPITAL

Ottawa. — A long, adjective-packed telegram, signed "Canadians of Arab origin" was sent to the parliamentary press gallery on Monday, in part a "protest against Prime Minister Eshkol's visit," in part "a condemnation of Israel's recent political and militaristic behavior. It also exhorts Mr. Eshkol to be "more reasonable" and finishes by declaring that Prime Minister Pearson will surely agree with the sentiments of the senders and back them.

Two members of the Press Gallery objected to having on their notice board an unsigned communication. Inquiries of the Canadian Pacific drew the information that the senders were unwilling to be named; the signature indicates that it was the effort of at least two persons.

NOUVEAU MONDE

The exact date of the appearance of this first French Jewish Magazine will be announced next week in The Canadian Jewish News.

REVEAL EGYPTIAN CRUELTY TO FEW REMAINING JEWS

London, (JCNS) - Obscene, degrading torture, senseless beatings, insults - these were the lot of the 350 Jews arrested by the Egyptians and imprisoned at Abu Zaabal, outside Cairo, at the beginning of the Six-Day War, according to a detailed account published in the French Weekly magazine, "L'Express".

One of the more fortunate of the 350 imprisoned Jews of Abu Zaabal, a man who was released and allowed to leave for France, has written the long account of his captivity published in the magazine last week.

In it, the former prisoner, whose name has not been revealed, though the magazine says that he is well known to numerous Frenchmen, describes how Jews were rounded-up when the June war broke out and taked to Abu Zaabal.

The political police were totally impartial. They had been told to take Jews off the streets, from their homes, from cafes, from examination halls, and they carried out their orders. Old men, young men, boys, cripples, mental patients - they were all picked up and imprisoned.

The Chief Rabbi of Alexandria, like his fellow-Alexandrians from all walks of life, was brought to Cairo by train, spat at and hit by a large crowd and taken to Abu Zaabal in handcuffs. But his fate were different from that of his fellow-Egyptian Jews.

True, they were beaten and kicked as soon as they reached the prison. But the Chief Rabbi was spreadeagled on the wire barrier at the entrance to Abu Zaabal and beaten into unconsciousness by one of the prison officers - "Amr, known as 'Hitler'" - who shouted as his arm descended: 'You are crucified, Jew".

The prisoners were beaten regularly, three times a day, by various members of the prison's ruling hierarchy, and many individuals were additionally beaten whenever the fancy seized one or other of their gaolers.

But the beatings were the least of their troubles. A number were forced to commit vile sexual offences against each other. Some were victims of offences committed by the prison staff.

By the middle of December some of the prisoners had been released, though 200 Jews were still held at Abu Zaabal, together with members of the proscribed Moslem Brotherhood, and others, many of whom had been there for seven, eight or ten years.

HELP FROM SPANISH AND FRENCH AMBASSADORS

Most of the Jews were Sephardim, the author of the "L'Express" account says, although there were a few Ashkenazim and 185 Karaites.

Both the French and the Spanish Ambassadors in Cairo were instrumental in obtaining the release of some of the prisoners. Indeed, the Spanish Ambassador is said in the article to have "gone as far back as the Inquisition" to prove that some of the prisoners were Spanish and to have provided them with Spanish passports so that they could obtain their release and leave Egypt.

COMMUNITY SHOCKED BY HIS SUDDEN DEMISE. — Saul Berlin, Executive Vice-President of B'nai Brith who passed away this week. (See Editorial Page 4)

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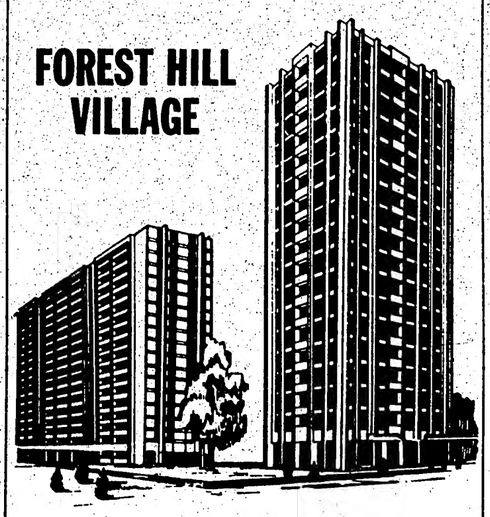

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DEDICATION

On Sunday, February 4th, Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, one of Canada's foremost orthodox synagogues, will dedicate its new synagogue. Also, of significance, the installation of the congregation's newly elected spiritual leader, Rabbi Emanuel Forman, will take place.

Dedication ceremonies will commence in the sanctuary at 2:00 p.m.

CHAMPAGNE PARTY

The Young Couples' Club of Adath Israel Synagogue held a champagne party last Sunday evening at the home of Irving and Toddy Granovsky.

MEETINGS

Adath Israel Seniors Club will meet on Tuesday afternoon, January 30th.

Their last meeting was held this past Tuesday afternoon.

FUNDS HELP IMMIGRANTS

Jerusalem, (JCNS) All money collected by the Jewish Agency abroad is used in the absorption of immigrants in Israel, an Agency spokesman told the JCNS correspondent here yesterday.

He added: "In recent years the Israeli Government participated in this expenditure because the Agency had not raised sufficient funds. Since the May crisis (preceding the Six-Day War), the Agency has more funds and has, therefore, resumed its full share of the burden."

AT HEAD TABLE AT ANNUAL HISTADRUT CAMPAIGN DINNER. — The following were head table guests at Toronto's annual Histadrut Campaign dinner held last Sunday at Beth Tzedec: standing, left to right—George Steinhouse, executive director, Histadrut Campaign; Charls Mekler; Mrs. C. Mekler, president, Pioneer Women's Organization; Hye Kirshenbaum, chairman, Farband Labor Zionist Order, city committee; Ralph Rotman, chairman, Israeli Histadrut Campaign; Haim Barshai, Economic Consul of Israel; Mrs. Harry Steiner; Harry Steiner, dinner chairman; David Lewis; Q.C., M.P., guest speaker; Kalmen Berger, Chairman, Labor Zionist Movement; Max Federman, president, Ahdut Avoda-Poale Zion; Julius Ciechanowski, president, United Organizations for Histadrut; Jacob Egit, director, United Organizations for Histadrut; Leo Barkin. Seated, left to right: Mesdames H. Kirshenbaum, R. Rotman, K. Berger, M. Federman, J. Ciechanowski, J. Egit.

UJA WOMEN'S DIVISION MEET. — The Women's Division of Toronto's United Jewish Appeal are up to their ears in meetings relevant to the good and welfare of UJA. At a meeting of the Division of the Joint 1968 UJA and Israel Emergency Fund campain and Advance Gifts luncheon in the home of Mrs. Harold Leslie are seen (left to right): front row—Mesdames A.A. Epstein, 1968 Women's Division chairman; Mark Gross, vice chairman of Advance Gifts; Harold Leslie, Advance Gifts chairman, Harry Gurofsky, Ray D. Wolfe; back row, left to right—Mesdames Howard Fisher, Abraham Track, Mildred Sobol, Ernest Goodman, John R. Devor.

Other events on the girls' agenda are: On Tuesday, January 23rd, the Metropolitan Division, of which Mesdames Harold Hertzman and Charles Kent are co-chairmen, will hold a Petite Lunch at Mrs. Kent's home, as well as a meeting on the same day for Central Division canvassers at the home of Mrs. A. A. Small (Mrs. Maxwell Eassons is chairman); an orientation program for Young Women's Leadership Campaign canvassers on Wednesday, January 24th, at the home of Mrs. David Peters at which Sam Crystal, 1968 Public Relations Committee chairman will be guest speaker; Thursday, January 25th, orientation program for canvassers and associate chairman by the Special Gifts Division in the form of a Petite Lunch at the home of Mrs. Epstein (Special Gifts chairman, Mrs. Joseph Lunenfeld); orientation program for supervisors and telethoners on Sunday afternoon, January 28th, at the home of Mrs. M. Gross (Co-chairmen of Telethon, Mesdames Wolfe Goldberg and Irving Kwart; Mrs. Pearl Dover, first vice chairman. Mrs. H. Max Greenspan, second vice chairman.)
All meetings were arranged and convened by the Volunteer Educational Program co-chairmen, Mesdames Albert Abugov and Howard Fisher; general canvass coordinator, Mrs. David Hart.

RUSSIAN WARNS ISRAELIS

London, (JCNS) Israel's rulers were "playing with fire" and "they might have to pay dearly for it", said the Soviet Deputy Premier, Mr. Kyril Mazurov, in Aswan this week. He was addressing a dinner given in his honour by the Egyptian Vice-President, Sidky Soliman, on Tuesday. Mr. Mazurov, who was deputising for Mr. Leonid Brezhnev, the Communist Party chief, kept at home by "pressure of business," promised that the Soviet Union would give "every effective help to Egypt and the other Arab peoples in their struggle against the aggression of Israel."

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Arabs homesick

Tel Aviv, (JCNS) A total of 3,000 out of 5,000 Palestinians stranded in Egypt during the Six-Day War have applied to the Israeli authorities, through the Red Cross, to return to their homes in Gaza and the Gaza Strip.

Only the applications of people wanting to be reunited with their families will be considered.

Red Cross sources here indicate that there has been a fundamental change in the attitude of these Palestinians.

The majority now realise that the occupation will continue and they want to return home.

About 400 Egyptian subjects (all of them women and children) remain in the Gaza Strip. The Egyptians in El Arish include a number of men. The rest have been repatriated.

The Egyptian authorities have refused to accept some of these people on the ground that they were born in Palestine, but the Red Cross have been verifying each claim.

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RAFI - MAPAI: NEW DIFFERENCES

Tel Aviv, (JCNS) With just over a week to go before the reunification bring together Mapai, Achdu Avoda and Rafi in one united Labour party, new differences have prevailed between the intending partners about the composition of the new party's controlling committees.

While no breakdown in the negotiations is foreseen, it is possible that the conference will be postponed, despite strong opposition from Mapai, whose secretary-general, Mrs. Golda Meir, is expected to serve in the same office under the new management.

ASSOCIATED EVENING SCHOOLS GRADUATION

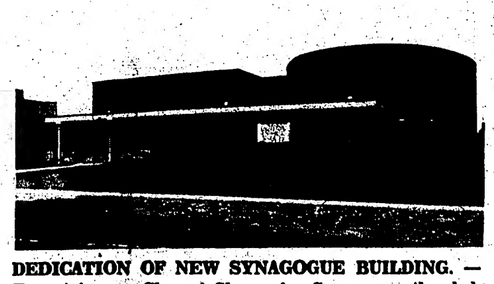
Eighty-five students will receive diplomas at the annual graduation exercises of the Evening Schools of Associated, Sunday, evening, January 28th, 7:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the main school at 3630 Bathurst St.

Toronto is one of the few communities on the continent which has been able to preserve and maintain a five-day evening school program calling for ten hours of weekly instruction in Jewish studies. Approximately 800 pupils at Associated are still benefiting from the enriched and more intensive program of Hebrew studies in its four evening schools.

Graduating students will have completed a six-year course in the basic subjects of Bible, Hebrew language, prayer, Jewish history, etc. A considerable proportion of the graduates continue their studies in the Central Evening High School, which serves all the evening schools of Associated.

Harold L. Dessen, C.A., chairman of the Board of Education of Associated, will preside. A message will be read from the president, Joseph Levine. Included in the program will be vocal selections by the school choir, valedictories in both Hebrew and English, and the distribution of awards to graduates who have excelled in their studies.

Following member schools of Associated will participate in the Exercises: North Bathurst Talmud Torah, L. Adler, Principal; Sharei Shomayim Talmud Torah, Rabbi W. Gordon, Principal; Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda Talmud Torah, S. Frankel, B.A., Principal; Beth Sholom Mildred Arnoff Memorial School, A. Karney, Principal. D. Taube, M.A., is coordinator of the Evening School program of Associated.



DEDICATION OF NEW SYNAGOGUE BUILDING. — **Toronto's new Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, the dedication of which will take place during the congregation's Dedication Weekend, Friday, February 2nd through Sunday, February 4th. On Friday evening, an Oneg Shabbat service will take place featuring Cantor David Kusevitsky, of New York and the synagogue choir; Saturday morning Rabbi Emanuel Forman, new spiritual leader, will preach, with Cantor Kusevitsky rendering the liturgies; Saturday evening will feature a musical evening with Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach; Sunday afternoon, official dedication services conducted by Rabbi Forman and the synagogue's Cantor Nathan T. Adler and choir as well as the dedication address by Rabbi Dr. Walter S. Wurzburger, former Rabbi of Shaarei Shomayim now of New York; Sunday evening, dedication banquet and installation of Rabbi Forman at which time the guest speaker wil be Moses Feuerstein of Brookline, Mass.**

Goldmann may retire

Zionist leader is 73

London, JCNS) Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of both the World Zionist Organisation and the World Jewish Congress, is contemplating retirement. He gave a clear indication of his intention in an interview with the JCN during his visit to London this week but declined to state when he would withdraw from Jewish communal affairs in which he has been prominently engaged for over 40 years.

"And I have also been instrumental in creating the Conference of Presidents of the Major Jewish National Organisations in the United States so that, at least on external problems, American Jewry can speak with a united voice".

Dr. Goldmann stated that Cojo would be enlarged by some major Jewish organisations, which had hitherto stood aside, and that its scope of activity and concern would be widened to include culture, education and work for Israel.

He admitted, however, that its basic nature as a co-ordinating and consultative body - as distinct from a functioning and executive one - would have to remain unchanged, because some of Cojo's component organisations still refused to give up their autonomy.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann

dr. goldmann under fire

Tel Aviv (JCNS) - Strong criticism of Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organisation, was voiced here last week at a meeting of the National Religious Party leadership.

Mr. S.Z. Shragai, a member of the Jewish Agency executive, sharply attacked Dr. Goldmann's proposals for reorganising the Zionist Movement, saying that they were liable to liquidate the movement".

He took particularly strong exception to the proposal to create a "Movement for Realisation" composed of candidates for emigration to Israel within the Zionist Organisation. Such a movement would empty the Zionist Movement of all content, he declared, and deprive it completely of all duties connected with immigration.

Mr. Itzhak Rafael, an NRP Knesset Member, ascribed the crisis in the Zionist Organisation, at least partly, to Dr. Goldmann who, he said, "has for years been taking private initiatives and continually bringing up new ideas without consulting the other members of the executive".

He proposed the transfer of all matters concerning immigration to an authority to be created by the Israeli Government, since the Jewish Agency and the Zionist Movement had shown themselves incapable of dealing with them.

"Succeeded very well"

London, (JCNS) - In an interview with the JCNS this week in London, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, now in his 73rd year, said that when one reached a certain age, it was time to retire from public affairs. "I have several other spheres of interest which I would like to pursue".

Asked when he contemplated retirement, he replied: "Many people would like to know that, but I am not telling yet".

He emphatically denied any suggestion that he was disappointed because his hopes and plans for a drastically-reformed Zionist movement and for an all-embracing world-Jewish organisation with executive powers had not materialised.

"I am not a disappointed man and have no reason to be disappointed. I have succeeded very well with the W.J.C. which has united Jewish organisations and representative bodies of Jewish communities in over 60 countries.

"I have established the Conference of Jewish Organisations (Cojo) which I regard as an important achievement and which is on the way to becoming an enlarged forum for world-Jewish unity.

WHY ARAB SUMMIT IS PUT OFF

London, (JCNS) There will be no Arab "summit" in Rabat, Morocco, on January 17, it was announced in Cairo on Monday by a spokesman of the Arab League.

The postponement, believed to be indefinite, was said to be due to difficulties in getting Syria and Saudi Arabia to agree to attend the meeting.

Saudi Arabia maintains that a conference now would be too hasty to reach maeaningful decisions on a unified policy towards Israel and a common policy on ending the Middle East deadlock.

Syria is opposed in principle to any "summit" dealing with the Middle East conflict and maintains that force only should be used against Israel.

In Rabat, the Moroccan opposition newspaper, "Al Alam", said Arab "satifaction and agreement" at postponing the conference showed the difficulties the Arab world faced in dealing with the Middle East situation.

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Israel's 20th Anniversary

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MONTREAL NOTES

HADASSAH-WIZO MEET

More than 1,000 women from all parts of Canada are meeting in Montreal this week to participate in the Hadassah-Wizo Organization conference under the chairmanship of Mrs. Bernard M. Bloomfield, national vice president. Theme: Sustain the Miracle. Officers of the day in charge are Mrs. A. Landsman and Mrs. B. Lieberman

Israel's w Ambassador to Canar , Arieh Eshel, and Mrs. Eshel were guests of honor at the opening ceremonies last Sunday evening.

MEMBERSHIP TEA

Sisterhood of Beth Hillel Congregation will sponsor a paidup membership tea and new membership drive next Wednesday evening. Mrs. Yetta Adessky is convenor.

BOOK REVIEW LUNCH

A book review luncheon meeting was held by Sisterhood of Young Israel of Chomeday on Wednesday afternoon. Rabbi S. Spiro reviewed, The Fixer, by Bernard Malamud.

OPEN BOARD MEET

The Jewish Junior Welfare League held an open board meeting last Tuesday afternoon. Dr. David Lissak, director of the Department of Psychology of Douglas Hospital, spoke on: Our Community and Education Change.

REVIEW SERIES

Shaarei Zion Sisterhood held the third in the series of breakfast book reviews Tuesday evening. Mrs. Ruth Wisse reviewed, The Manor, by Isaac Bashevis Singer.

OFFICERS

New officers of Diapason Temple No. 5 Pythian Sisters are: Kate Wax; Edna Kramer; Dorothy Malamud; Julie Kates; Eunice Westleman; Bessie Shuter; Mary Welcher; Minnie Elman; Ida Pecker; Ann Lands; Freda Herman; Ida Lovine; Pearl Bronet.

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REB ITCHE MEYER

WELCOME TO OUTSTANDING LEADER

The arrival in Toronto of Reb Itche Meir Levine, Minister of Social Welfare in the first government of Israel and world president of Agudat Israel, brings to this city one of the most colorful personalities of our Jewish generation. Reb Itche Meir, as he is affectionately known, may have political opponents yet is one of those political leaders who have no personal enemies.

Prior to the establishment of the State of Israel, he cooperated closely with David Ben Gurion and the Irgun in preparing the ground for Jewish sovereignty in the Holy Land although he is not and never was a Zionist. In this respect he followed in the footsteps of his father-in-law, the late Gerer Rebbe and undisputed leader of Poland's Hasidim. To the Gerer Rebbe and his followers, the sanctity of Israel stems from the fact that it is the divinely promised land and because of the people who dwell there — whose security and future should be assured by us.

At the same time, as the late Gerer Rebbe spoke of "Tel Aviv the Holy City," he labored for the Torah revival of the people of Israel which in his views is part and parcel of securing its existence.

A brilliant orator, a profoundly believing Jew, a statesman of magnitude, Reb Itche Meir will be welcomed by Toronto Jewry this Saturday night also as a representative of this great, martyred Jewish community of Poland in eastern Europe, gone forever, but which has seen its rebirth in the Land of Israel.

Again in the words of the late Gerer Rebbe about Israel: "As in the case of the Holy Scrolls burned by Roman persecutors, only the parchment has been consumed by the flames. The letters (the souls of the martyrs) flutter above us." They demand our consolidation of the home of the survivors and the spiritual redemption of the people of the Torah.

TORONTO'S EITZ CHAIM

OUR DUTY TOWARD EDUCATION

The dinner of Toronto's Eitz Chaim Schools this coming Sunday evening reminds our community of its obligation to education. Eitz Chaim, one of the largest Jewish educational institutions on the continent and one of the most famous day schools, has grown together with this great Jewish community. Some of our most outstanding leaders in every field of endeavor, including one former mayor, have been educated at Eitz Chaim.

Today Eitz Chaim, like many another educational institution here, is beset by financial problems. Although the organized Jewish community through the United Jewish Welfare Fund is doing its utmost to sustain the work of Jewish education, apparently we are not giving enough to UJA so that both the local needs and assistance to Israel could be subsidized effectively.

This newspaper will not cease advocating a greater responsibility on the part of our community towards Jewish education in all its ramifications regardless of the ideological direction of an educational institution.

Thus on the occasion of the Eitz Chaim dinner, we call upon Toronto Jewry to remember that the destiny of Israel — the historic people, Israel the country and Jewish survival here — are interwoven; our generation must meet the heavy burdens of fulfilling the tasks we face.

BREAKTHROUGH IN MONTREAL

PREMIER JOHNSON COMMENDED

The Jewish community of Montreal, especially the community which is conscious of the importance of Day Schools, records with satisfaction the announcement by Ben Butel, chairman of the Canadian Jewish Congress Education Committee, that the Protestant schools have agreed in principle to enter into special arrangements with the Jewish day schools in Canada's largest metropolis. These schools have applied for associated status and for the first time it seems that their application may be granted.

Also the chairman of the Committee for Tax Supported Jewish Schools in Montreal, Israel Akerman, expressed his satisfaction with this development which is in accordance with Prime Minister Daniel Johnson's policy that "all minority groups must be treated fairly in the field of education."

This is a step forward in the direction of the complete change in the Jewish position among Montreal's schools which we have been advocating for years.

We hope that this decision will lead to separate Jewish schools in Montreal so long as there are separate Catholic and Protestant schools—, Jewish schools attuned to the new era into which Quebec has entered.

IN MEMORIAM

SAUL BERLIN

Canadian Jewry is shocked by the sudden and untimely death of one of its most devoted public servants, Saul S. Berlin, executive vice president of our B'nai Brith movement.

Saul Berlin, a native born Montrealer, a graduate of Mc Gill University, a lawyer of distinction, left his career in jurisprudence to become the full-time leader of B'nai Brith to which he was dedicated so strongly.

He will be remembered for his modesty, self-effacement and true leadership.

Haaretz, Tel Aviv

VATICAN DOCUMENTS RELEASED
SILENCE ON POPE PIUS XII

Rome, (JCNS) For the fourth time the Vatican has dashed hopes for the early publication of the long-promised documents said to prove that Pope Pius XII did everything possible to prevent or limit the Nazi extermination of European Jewry.

There are only marginal references to the Jews in the fourth volume, recently released, of "The Acts and Documents of the Holy See relating to the Second World War." The volume is entitled "The Holy See and the War in Europe."

However, it does shed light on the attitude to the "Jewish question" adopted by some Vatican diplomats, in particular, the then papal nuncio to France, Mgr. Valerio Valeri, who followed Marshal Petain to Vichy after the French capitulation.

Marshal Petain, Mgr. Valeri reported to his superiors, "in order to imitate the totalitarian countries and also because, as is unfortunately beyond any doubt, the Jews have concould to the outbreak of tributed as much as they the war, is preparing a special statute for them... which perhaps will close to them access to high public positions and, with few exceptions, to the liberal professions."

THE SEEDS OF DESTRUCTION

JCNS East European Affairs expert, ZEEV BEN - SHLOMO, analyses Russia's latest antisemitic campaign exactly 15 years after the infamous 'doctors' plot'

Echoes of the Six-Day War still reverberate in the Soviet press. Israel is maligned at every opportunity as the agent of the neo-colonialists or as a tool of American and British imperialism. In the light of the massive defeat inflicted on Soviet diplomacy by Israel's victorious army Soviet hostility to the Jewish State is understandable.

The press and radio diatribes against Israel are equally comprehensible in terms of a Russian attempt to bolster flagging morale among the Arabs and to atone for the failure to come to their rescue after the disastrous policy of brinkmanship pursued by Russia's protege in the area, Syria. It is merely a case of the traditional use of propaganda by a totalitarian regime to further its foreign policy and as such should occasion no great surprise.

Less rational is the vicious campaign unleashed in the popular and provincial press against the "evils of world Zionism". Never since the death of Stalin has the Soviet press sunk to such a degree of debasement. To find parallels one would have to go back to the Doctors' Plot concocted in the Kremlin exactly 15 years ago.

At that time, it will be remembered, six prominent Jewish physicians were accused of participation in an international conspiracy to murder the leaders of the Soviet Union. The charges, whose absurdity was later exposed by Khruschev in his famous speech denouncing the Stalinist cult of personality, implicated Zionism, the American Joint Distribution Committee, U.S.A. and British Intelligence.

Then as now Jewish apologists were trotted out to prove the truth of the charges. No charge was too fantastic to find a place in the Soviet press.

On February 20, 1953, a member of the Communist Party Control Committee wrote:

"For many years Zionism has been closely tied to British imperialism and British intelligence. For a long time the centre of Zionism has been London. Its entire work was carried out under the guidance of British diplomacy . . . Weizmann . . . has been an official in one of the British Ministries. Other Zionist leaders were direct agents of British imperialism; Eban - the present Israeli representative in the U.N., Shiloah - the present head of the Israeli intelligence . . .

The author goes on to describe Zionist plans to rule the world. Ben-Gurion, Sharett, Borgenthau, Truman and Acheson are the new Elders of Zion. A clandestine meeting in Washington is alleged to have been held to establish joint American-Jewish rule over the world and to plot the destruction of Communism.

The charges against the doctors followed by two months the sham trial in Czechoslovakia of Rudolph Slansky, in which life-long supporters of the Soviet line and confirmed anti-Zionists were convicted of espionage for American intelligence and the Joint. Not even the dead were spared as the actor Shlomo Mikhoels, executed by Stalin the previous year, was added to the list of "traitors".

A Jewish writer imprisoned in Russia from 1949-1953, who has since reached the West, reports that his prosecutors were saturated with Nazi ideology. One of them boasted to him of having read "30 books about the Jews" while preparing his case - including Alfred Rosenberg's "The Myths of the twentieth century", and was able to quote long passages from it by heart.

The June war, coupled with the reaction that has set in against liberalisation of the kind espoused by the Soviet poet Yevgeni Yevtushenko, has served to reopen the scarred tissue of latent antisemitism that festers not too far below the surface of some of the crude sectors of Russian society.

To be fair to the Russians, the revival of blatant anti-Jewish propaganda thinly disguised as anti-Zionist attacks is not popular with many of the intellectuals, and a segment of the press has been careful to draw the line at anti-Israel propaganda.

But some of the mass circulation press including "Komsomolskaya Pravda" have been far less circumspect. This organ of the Young Communists reaches some 15 million readers. On the eve of Rosh Hashana it published an article by E. Evseev entitled "Lackeys at Beck and Call" in which, the cream of Soviet Communist youth is exposed to scurrilous smears of the Jews of the type used by Goebbles in his hey-day. The technique is one of prevarication and exaggeration.

"Holding in their hands the levers of economic and political influence . . . the Zionists are able to influence in this or that direction public opinion in many countries . . . According to sources abroad the number of Zionist adherents in the United States is placed at between 20 and 25 million. Among them are both Jews and non-Jews. They belong to associations, organisations and societies that play the greatest role in the American economy, politics, culture and science."

The article, a la Streicher, goes on to enumerate the various professions dominated in the U.S.A. by Zionists, and, to give the theme Marxist topicality, accuses them of making up the largest proportion of physicists "engaged in secret work in the manufacture of weapons of mass annihilation".

Similar seeds of antisemitism have found fertile ground in the provincial press, especially in areas such as the Ukraine, where the pre-Communist record of pogroms and persecutions is both bloody and long. Writing "Pravda Ukrainy" (Kiev) on September 6, 1967, V. Tancher, a member of the editorial board, says that the "Zionist concept of a people chosen by God promises the Jews dominion over the world". "Pravda Ukrainy" has a circulation of a million.

The total readership of Soviet periodicals that have joined the hate campaign against the "Zionists" is around 30,000,000.

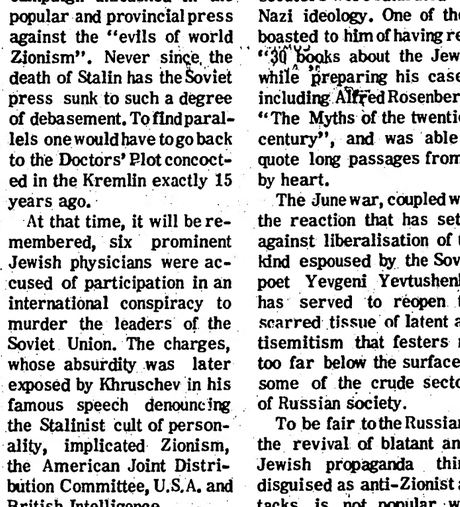
When the anti-Zionist operation became particularly rampant, a worried Jew living in Krashnodar, main city of the Kuban Cossacks, wrote to the Yiddish "Folks-Shtymme" asking what the "protocols of the Elders of Zion" was all about. Whether the detailed reply published by the paper will help the reader is problematical, but the question and answer indicate that there is something rotten in Krasnodar.

Fifty years ago, the anti-Bolshevik White armies launched - and lost - a war against the Communists with no other ideology than the Protocols to offer their supporters. Unable to produce a solution to the burning political, social and economic problems of post First World War Russia, they filled the intellectual vacuum with antisemitism, citing the fabricated Protocols to support pogroms against the Jews.

Soviet reactionaries and diehard Stalinists have been quick to exploit the anti-Israel campaign to their own advantage. They could well entertain visions of riding back to power on the crest of popular anti-semitism under the euphemism "anti-Zionism". What better way to blot out the degeneracy of the Stalinist period and obscure their own moral bankruptcy!

That the campaign against Israel has been allowed to escalate against the "world Zionism" and "Jewish dominion" is clear but what the present Soviet leaders (still basically anti-Stalinist) hope to gain from this sort of adventurism is anybody's guess. It may be that they feel the need to counter the "subversive" partiality of a considerable number of intellectuals and technocrats (Jews and non-Jews) for the Israeli cause.

To borrow a phrase from Marxist phraseology; the Soviet leaders may well have planted the seeds of their own destruction.


Cartoon published in "Pravda," June 24, 1967. Anti-Israel propaganda with a dose of antisemitism thrown in for good measure

KEEP SMILING

DIDN'T TAKE A GOOD LOOK

Said the husband to his wife as a beautiful blonde passed by their table in the dining room: "That's an attractive woman."

"You mean the one with the dyed red hair and the cheap looking sandals?"

"Yes, she does have red hair."

"With her complexion she should never wear that purplish color," said the wife. "Her dress is cut badly through the middle and hangs unevenly in the back. She shouldn't wear such light stockings and I hate dark red nail polish."

"I still say she's attractive," said the husband.

"Of course, I can't say for sure," persisted the wife, "I really didn't take a good look at her."

THAT'S HOW HE KNOWS

The little henpecked husband decided it was time to break up the card game.

"Why are you leaving so early?" one of the boys asked.

"Well, you see, I don't like to leave my wife..."

"Why are you so afraid of her? What are you, a man or a mouse?"

"I'm a man, of course," answered the husband.

"And what makes you so sure of that?"

"Because my wife is afraid of mice."

FAIR TRADE

"What a cute little pup," said one guy to the other.

"I got it for my wife," beamed the other.

"How'd you ever make a trade like that?"

AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS

De Gaulle explains

Paris (JCNS) - "The vast subject of the re-birth and destiny of Israel cannot fail to attract and move me, the more so since the conflict which has newly opened in the Middle East draws in its train important consequences which touch France closely for all the political, economic, moral, religious and historical reasons which you know".

This is how President de Gaulle referred to Israel in his reply to the letter sent to him by Mr. David Ben-Gurion on December 6. The President's letter is dated December 30 and was released, together with that of the former Israeli Premier in Paris and Tel Aviv Tues., Jan. 9.

General de Gaulle then referred to that part of Mr. Ben-Gurion's letter in which he mentioned the long history and struggle leading to the restoration of Israel in Palestine, and recalling de Gaulle's friendship for the young Jewish State, and went on:

"You rightly recall that my country and myself have not stinted in our sympathy for this national construction, and you can have no doubt that, should the occasion arise, we would be opposed to its annihilation, as our official conversations not long since - and the fact that I had publicly described Israel as a "friendly State and an ally" - guaranteed.

STRICT MODERATION

"But those are precisely the reasons why I have always said, first and foremost to yourself, that, in order to justify proportionately the work thus begun and to assure its future, strict moderation was required of Israel in her relations with her neighbours and in her territorial ambitions . . .

CASCADES OF INVECTIVES

" . . . Certainly I do not deny that the troublesome blockade of the Gulf of Akaba was one-sidedly injurious to your country, and I do not fail to recognise that your country had grounds to feel itself threatened, given the tension into which the Palestinian region had been plunged as a result of the cascades of prodigious invective against Israel, as well as by the lamentable fate of the Arab refugees in Jordan and Gaza.

"But, leaving aside the warnings given to your Government at the requisite time by the Government of the French Republic, I remain convinced that, by beginning hostilities, by taking possession by force of arms of Jerusalem and much Jordanian, Egyptian and Syrian territory; by engaging there in repression and expulsions which are inevitably the consequences of an occupation which everything indicates is leading to an occupation; by stating before the world that a settlement of the conflict can only be achieved on the basis of conquests and not on condition that these (areas could be evacuated, Israel exceeded the bounds of the moderation required.

FREE NAVIGATION

"I regret it all more because, in return for with-

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Sermon for the week

FREEDOM

This week's Sidra tells of the enslavement of the Jews in Egypt and of God's promise to redeem them—a promise that heralded their soon-to-be-achieved freedom.

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Passover is called the "season of our liberation" commemorating the deliverance of the Hebrews from Egyptian bondage. Freedom is the most lauded ideal of a democratic society. We march for it, fight for it, and die for it. Unfortunatley, in seeking liberty, many try to throw off the "yoke" of a spiritual guided life. To them, Religion, with all its "do's" and "dont's", is an uncomfortable burden incogruous with the Space Age. So "freedom" is sought to "do as we please," liberty from the demands of a religious life.

The Tora views the subject of feedom and arrives at radically different definition of the true concept of freedom. Total freedom, according to the Tora, is complete freedom in all three aspects which constitute human life: (a) the realm of the soul, (b) the realm of the body and (c) the surrounding world in which the individual lives.

The enslavement of the Jews in Egypt and their subsequent liberation, reflect precisely the concept of freedom defined above: The enslavement was complete in all three aforementioned aspect of life; (a) spiritual enslavement in, and to, a country of the lowest moral depravity; (b) extreme physical slavery of hard labory; (c) the fullest deprivation of their share of material possessions, to which they were entitled. Likewise the liberation was in all three aspects, and in the fullest measure. First and foremost, spiritual liberation. The Jews were emmanded to take lambs (held sacred by the Egyptians) and sacrifice them—a public demostration of the utter worthlessness of the Egyptian cult. Secondly, complete physical liberation by marching out of Egypt with a "raised head," with song and jubilation. As for ther share of material possession, the Tora relates that they went forth "with great wealth." It is self-evident, that harmonious and total freedom cannot be achieved in a way of life whereby the soul (the G-dliness in man) is subordinated to the body, and both of them (body and soul) are subjugated to the material world. The superior cannot serve the inferior and be content to do so. The highest aspect of human life, the soul, will never acquiesce in subservience to the body.

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The obvious conclusion, therefore, is that true freedom can be achieved only by "freeing" the body from its animal tendencies and liberating it to serve its Creator.

Adopted from the original Hebrew text of RABBI M. M. SCHNEERSON, the Lubavitch Rebbe, by Y. M. Kogan

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by D. COHN

• Jacob Ben-Ami, one of the founders of Habima in Moscow, died in the Soviet capital last week. He was 77.

Born in Minsk, Ben-Ami (Shiesen) came to the United States with Habimah when the group first toured the country in 1926. He starred in The Dybbuk. When the company left he remained behind and joined the Yiddish theater, later becoming a well known theatrical director. He wrote a history of the Habimah in Yiddish and also lectured and wrote widely on the stage. More recently, the was lecturer on drama at the Brandeis Institute in California.

He was in Moscow visiting a brother when he suffered a heart attack.

• Carol Lawrence says of her husband David Merrick, "He's always supposed to be such a grouch. But to me he's one of the most courageous, intelligent and most generous person in the theater today.

"For instance," says Carol who is Mrs. Robert Goulet, "When Helly Dolly was stranded by the Russians after arrangements were made to present the show with Mary Martin in Moscow, David called the White House and asked, "Would you like to go to Vietnam?"

• In Tel Aviv prizes for five original plays were given to their authors and directors by the Theater Division of the Public Council for Culture and Art, a branch of the Ministry of Education and Culture.

• Cary Grant says, "I plan to have more and more children and grandchildren—dozens of them," "even if he has to adopt them.

Estranged from his wife, Dyan Cannon, he will take a trip around the world, including the Far East where poor parents are only too delighted to have their little ones adopted. He says he will take as many as he can get.

• Kirk Douglas, whose wife Ann usually makes the best dressed lists, is vying for fashion fame with his new turtlenecks for daytime.

• Harry Horwitz, who plays a rabbi in the comedy, "I Love You, Alice B. Toklas!" is an authentic rabbi, currently cantor at Temple Israel in Hollywood. He has officiated at hundreds of weddings and more funerals. In films his name is Hal Horton.

• A male sea lion is in Tel Aviv Zoo as new mate for Rebecca. The two newlyweds swim around their pool together.

• Concert violinist Emery Deutsch has declared war on a Federal Aviation Agency ruling that has forced him to part with his violin during commercial air flights.

Deutsch claims that a ruling saying all instruments in their cases must be put in the baggage compartment if they do not fit under the seat was "unfair to longhair musicians."

As a result, Deutsch's valuable 18th century Guarnerius instrument was jarred when his plane landed on a trip from Cleveland to New York some weeks ago and the violin case hit the floor. The soundpost had to be adjusted.

TWO PERFECT ZANIES. — Diane Stapley and Ronald Chudley, who comprise the entire cast of their original T.O. for TWO, now being enjoyed at Toronto's Theatre in the Dell. Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 p.m.; Saturday, 8:30 and 10:30 p.m.

RUSSIAN POET ESCAPES

London, (JCNS) — A Russian-Jewish poet, Dr. N. Gourevitch, aged 32, who feigned mental illness to obtain permission to travel to Israel, where he has relatives, is now in Glasgow. He has stated that he wants to make his home in Britain.

Dr. Gourevitch, who writes under the name of Naum Odnopozov, was questioned by officers of the K.G.B., the Soviet security police, before managing to leave Russia with his mother, who is now living in Jerusalem. He convinced the K.G.B. that only in Israel could he get adeguate treatment for his "illness."

WRITERS SCIENTISTS ORGANIZE

(JCNS) The political parties represented in the West German Parliament are planning a massive campaign against the extreme Right-wing National Democratic Party in view, particularly of the Baden-Wuerttemberg State elections in April.

N.D.P. spokesmen said in Hanover last week that the party did not fear such a campaign. They were confident they would obtain a number of seats in the State Parliament to make it the seventh in which the party would be represented.

They were also certain that the party would secure representation in the West German Parliament in Bonn at the general election next year, even if electoral laws were enacted with the specific object of preventing this.

Representatives of public and cultural life formed the "Action January 1968" group in Munich last week to fight Right-wing extremism and other radicalist tendencies in West Germany.

It is headed by Herr Frank Arnau, the president of the German League of Human Rights, and the first public rally is planned for January 30, the 35th anniversary of the Nazi advent to power.

Founders of the group include Professor Max Born, the 1954 physics Nobel Prize-winner, Mrs. Hildegard Hamm-Bruecher, State Secretary at the Hesse Ministry of Cultural Affairs, trade union leaders and writers.

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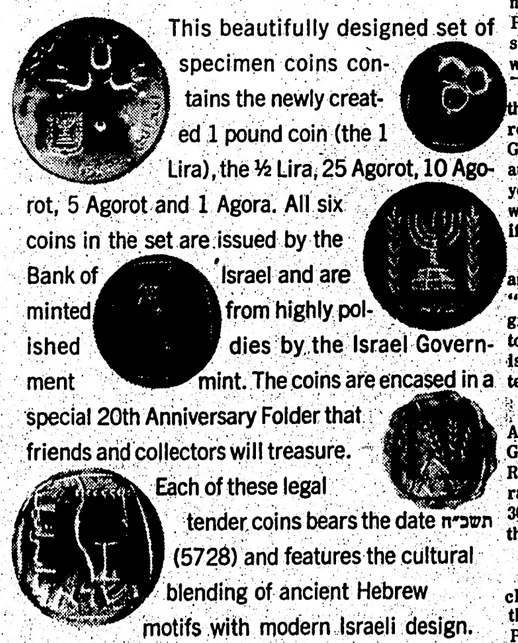

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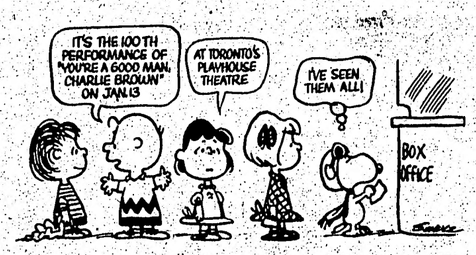
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ISRAEL'S NEW POLITICAL CIRCUS

by Moshe Ron

Tel Aviv. — Menachem Begin and Moshe Shapira, who were instrumental in bringing Moshe Dayan into the government before the Six Day War, faced a difficult task, at one of the government's last sessions.

Dayan attacked both the Prime Minister and Finance Minister in his speech during the Rafi conference. He declared that when he joins the united party he will make sure that Eshkol is not Prime Minister and that Sapir leaves his post as Finance Minister.

Normally Eshkol undoubtedly would have demanded Dayan's resignation from the government. But because of the present situation, Eshkol swallowed the bitter pill and agreed with the government's decision which expressed "sorrow" at Dayan's words. Eshkol knew what Dayan's resignation from the government meant. Lawfully the entire government would have been dismissed and a long procedure would Begin. Therefore Eshkol decided to refrain from causing a crisis in the government at this time.

Before the government session met, the Prime Minister asked Dr. Yaakov Herzog, head of his office, to contact Begin who was in Eilat and ask him to take part in the following government session. Eshkol also spoke to Begin.

Begin left Eilat for Jerusalem. Before the session, he, together with Moshe Haim Shapira, met with Moshe Dayan. They wanted to know how it was possible for a Minister to express publicly that he would see to it that the Prime Minister and Finance Minister leave their posts. Dayan attempted to explain that he had no intention to insult the present government headed by Eshkol. He was thinking of the new government to be formed after the next election in 1969. He also told Begin and Shapira that he would resign if reprimanded at the government session.

Afterwards Begin and Shapira met Eshkol who said that he would say nothing at the meeting. Other ministers of Mapai and Ahdut Avoda spoke accordingly.

At the session, Minister of Industry, Zev Sharf, Foreign Minister Abba Eban and Health Minister Israel Barzilai (Mapam) reproached Dayan for his speech, especially when the Prime Minister was in the States and in Canada. It was felt that Dayan's speech could weaken the prestige of the government.

Shapiro and Begin also reprimanded Dayan sharply. Finally it was decided unanimously to elect a ministers' committee of four to work out the resolution: "sorrow" at Dayan's behavior and confidence in the government and in the Prime Minister. Dayan also voted for this resolution. Thus the "incident" was closed. The entire press stressed Begin's efforts to avoid a government crisis.

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Israel is proud of its former presidents, Haim Weitzmann and Itzhak Ben Zvi, and the present president, Zalman Shazar. But Shulamit Alone, M.K. representing Mapai, feels differently. She thinks there ought to be changes in the presidency when, in five months, Shazar stands for election for the third time. The obvious reason is his advanced age. However the real reasons are: a woman should be elected persident of Israel; Golda Meir should be unseated as Secretary of Mapai. Thus, as Mrs. Aloni suggested at an open meeting, Mrs. Meir could become a candidate for president.

Mrs. Aloni, a Rafi sympathizer, is a member of parliament of the younger generation. She makes sure that the press does not forget her. She does not favor very pious persons who, according to her, want to run the country. In her opinion Shazar is a "religious president" who likes Hassidim and is a disciple of the Lubavitcher Rebbe.

Mrs. Meir was offended by Mrs. Aloni's, proposal and, during a Mapai secretariat session, she asked Mrs. Aloni not to seek jobs for her. Also other members of the Maarach criticized Mrs. Aloni's behavior towards the President of the State, especially since she broached the topic in public. Mrs. Aloni tried to explain but to no avail.

The Maarach faction in the Knesset decided to send a special delegation to the President to explain that Mrs. Aloni had acted on her own, that the fact

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TORONTO AFTER DARK

PRE-LONDON TRYOUT

English producer Peter Gridge is presenting Noel Coward's hit, Hay Fever, at O'Keefe Center for two weeks, starting this week, interrupting its pre-London tryout tour of the British provinces.

Sets and costumes are by Motley, created for a recent production of the National Theater of Great Britain.

"Hay Fever is considered by many to be my best comedy," Noel Coward says. "Whether or not this assertion is true, posterity, if it gives it a glance will be able to judge with more detachment than I."

NEW PLAY

Theatre Toronto, a development of the former Crest and Canadian Players, made its debut Wednesday night at the Royal Alexandra with Drummer Boy by Canadian playwright Jean Bassile, which never was done before.

Theatre Toronto's permanents company consists of about thirty people. Subscribers thus for total 9,500.

TEMPLES ANNUAL PRESENTATION

Temple Sinai's well known Stage 210 will present this season the Canadian premiere of Herman Wouk's comedy, Jature's Way. There will be showings on two consecutive weekends; January 27th and 28th; February 3rd and 4th.

Nature's Way is a hilarious comedy revolving around Billy Turk and his wife Maggie, their friends and associates, in a "go" environment of affluent Americans. Billy and Maggie learn the hard way that all their real pleasures lie within themselves and in their family life, a message Woug gets across.

WELL SETTLED

Toronto Workshop Productions has a hit on its hands with George Luscombe's Gentleman Be Seated, at its new home on Alexander Street. The play is destined to run for a long while.

COMEDY HIT BY NEW COMPANY

Altair Production, Toronto's newest theatrical company, is presenting, Luv, at the Colonnade for two weeks, through Saturday, January 27th; curtain, 8:30 p.m. Directed by Ross Darling, the comedy hit features Marvin Goldhar who is no stranger to Toronto theater goers, Guy Sanvido and Jean Dover.

STARS IN REVIVAL. — Diana Fairfax, who appears in Noel Coward's Hay Fever, now performing at Toronto's O'Keefe Center for two weeks.

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GRANICH, ARTHUR. On January 10th, late of 1845 Van Horne Avenue.

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HITELMAN, FANNY. On January 11th, late of 5781 Eldridge Ave., Cote St. Luc.
HOLLINGER, HYMAN. On January 10th, late of 5636 Westluke, Cote St. Luc.
IKEMAN, ALLAN. On January 8th, late of Montreal.
PATOFSKY (WAXMAN), ANNIE. On January 11th, late of 4876 Lacombe Avenue.

RAPPAPORT, ABRAHAM. On January 8th, late of 5160 MacDonald Avenue.
SMITH, BESSIE. On January 6th, late of Montreal.

TOMARKIN, SAUL. On January 5th, late of Montreal.
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WEINSTEIN, NORMAN. On January 9th, late of Montreal.
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PREST, HYMIE. On January 14th, late of 288 Perth Avenue.
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"An outcome like this, would bring peace to the Middle East, facilitate universal concord and, in my view, would serve the interests of the peoples concerned, including the interests of your own people. They would not, I know, fulfil all Israel's desires. If I had had any doubt about this, the reading of your letter and what you write about what Canaan, on both banks of the Jordan, represents for many Jews of all ages of today, would have provided enough proof for me.

NOT PEJORATIVE

"So it is with the emotion visibly aroused among many of these Jews by the fact that I said of their people that it is 'an elite people, sure of itself and domineering', an assessment which some individuals affect to regard as pejorative, when there could be nothing offensive in underlining the character which enabled this strong people to survive and remain itself, after nineteen centuries spent in unheard-of conditions.

"But what has happened? Israel, instead of parading everywhere in the universe its moving 2,000 years of exile, has become, completely, a State among the others, and its life and duration, following the universal law, depend on its policy. And this - how many peoples, one after the other have experienced it - is only worth something on condition that it is adapted to realities".

Israeli reaction cautious DE GAULLE EXPLAINS

GAP BETWEEN PARIS AND JERUSALEM

Tel Aviv (JCNS) - The Israeli Foreign Ministry rejected Mr. Ben-Gurion's interpretation that President de Gaulle's letter indicated that there was no gulf between France's conceptions of an Arab-Israeli settlement and Israel's requirements.

It pointed out that Israel's attitude was based on her refusal to move from the cease-fire lines except within the framework of direct peace negotiations, while President de Gaulle reiterated his demand for an Israeli withdrawal of occupied territories as a pre-condition for such negotiations.

Political circles here are wondering at Mr. Ben-Gurion's reasons for giving maximum publicity to the exchange of letters. They point out that the French President politely but clearly, rejected Mr. Ben-Gurion's arguments, adding warnings should Israel refuse to withdraw, which echoed Soviet threats.

BEN-GURION'S LETTER - "SADDENING REMARKS"

The following is a summary of the 16-page letter of Mr. Ben-Gurion addressed to President de Gaulle on December 6 and released in Tel Aviv:

"I am writing to you because, in your speech (at his November press conference in Paris) you gave an important place to the State of Israel, Zionism and the Jewish people. That speech contained some saddening and disquieting remarks.

"I have abstained from supporting the unjust criticism formulated by numerous people in France, Israel and other countries who have not, I think, examined your remarks with the requisite seriousness.

"In your speech you used a number of surprising, hard and wounding expressions, based on incorrect or imprecise information. You spoke of the establishment of a 'Zionist' home, of 'an elite people, sure of itself and domineering'; of 'a change from a sincere aspiration to ardent and conquering ambition'; of 'a warlike State of Israel desirous of expansion'.

EQUAL PEOPLES

"Permit me to apprise you first of all of a fact not yet admitted in the world for many historical and religious reasons, but this conviction dominates all that we have done and will do: we are equal to all peoples, equal in rights and in duties.

"We are a small people, the majority of whom do not live in their own country; but some live in their country not because they have occupied, pillaged and ravaged anything belonging to anybody else, but because we found our country abandoned, not totally depopulated but a wilderness.

"We made the deserts blossom by the sweat of our brow, by our stubborn and pioneering labour. We did not seize patches of ground from those who were cultivating them, but made desert expanses green again.

"This was not done by force, nor even exclusively by money and certainly not by conquests. It was our pioneering creativity which enabled us to transform a poor and arid land into fertile, populated soil.

NOT "DOMINEERING"

"We are not a 'domineering people'. I was Prime Minister and Minister of Defence of Israel for fifteen years, and for fifteen years before that occupied an important post in the Zionist movement and among the Jewish people of Palestine, and I know the ardent desire of my country for peace, peace with our neighbours and among all peoples.

"I would like to remind you of our conversation in the gardens of the Elysees Palace, in June 1960, when you said to me: 'What are your dreams about the real frontiers of Israel? Tell me, I shall not speak of it to anybody". I replied: "If you had asked me that question 25 years ago, I would have told you: the River Litani in the north, and Transjordan in the east . . . But you are asking me today. I will tell you then. We have two principal aspirations - peace with our neighbours and large-scale Jewish immigration. The area in our possession can absorb many more Jews that are likely to come".

Moshe Ron

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ion does not share her opinion. The President assured the delegation he did not feel offended for in a democracy it is the elementary right of every citizen, especially a member of Parliament, to express himself freely.

Speculation is that Shazar will be reelected President for another five years. He is beloved by all in Israel and in the Diaspora. The fact that he is religious and approves tradition merely adds to his popularity. He is also liked by the non-religious.

One thing is certain: Mrs. Aloni's concern for the President, the special session of the Mapai secretariat in the matter and sending a special delegation to the President were superfluous.

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In general, this law applies to employers and employees in works, undertakings or businesses of an interprovincial, national or international nature and to some others that have been declared by Parliament to be for the general advantage of Canada. These are essentially the same undertakings covered by the Canada Labour Standards Code and other federal labour law.

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TORONTO WOMEN NEWS

GENERAL MEET

Toronto Women's ORT held a general meeting last Wednesday evening at Holy Blossom Temple. William Stevenson, author-journalist, was guest speaker.

GUEST SPEAKER

Philip G Givens, Q.C., will be guest speaker at the Book of the Brunch meeting of Beth Sisterhood, Tuesday afternoon, January 30th. He will review Robert Blake's, Benjamin Disraeli.

INSCRIPTION

The name of the late Fanny Ginsberg recently was inscribed in memory in the Book of Builders at the Canadian Pioneer Women's new community center at Migdal Ha'Emek near Afula, Israel, by the Golda Meir Club, Toronto Pioneer Women.

The community center is Pioneer Women's first major projects as an autonomous Canadian body built at a cost of $100,000. Its purpose is to provide vocational classes for youths and mothers and to be a cultural, educational and social center for adults, serving to integrate and unify the new settlers.

Recently Zvi Alderoty, mayor of Migdal Ha'Emek, took on tour three Pioneer Women members, Cissie Eppel, Bess Direnfeld and Eva Natch.

MEETING

Shaarei Tefillah Sisterhood held a meeting recently. Head table guests were Mesdames M. Rosensweig, T. Miskin, E. Sugar and M. Halberstad.

Annual donor dinner takes place next Wednesday evening; guest soloist. Arnold Wiskin. Spring tea fashion show will be held in March; Mrs. M. Rasky is tea convener.

Mrs. Phyllis Sugar is convenor of the Purim play.

ADDRESSED GROUP

Dr Murray Herst addressed the Adath Israel Study group last evening. He spoke on: Profiles of Great Jews.

Next Thursday evening Rabbi Michael Celniker speaks on: Profile of a Jewish City.

SHERRY PARTY

Sisterhood of Adath Israel held a paidup membership sherry party on Tuesday evening.

Increase in Israel tourism

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Tourist revenue picked up strongly in Israel at the end of 1967, although it did not cover the losses caused by the Middle East crisis in May and June.

Visitors last year totalled 291,000, a drop of 37,000 compared with 1966, the Ministry of Tourism announced yesterday (Monday). About 26,000 arrived in December, a number which is far higher than normal for that month.

HUMAN RELATIONS

TWO NEPHEWS

by Dr. Rose Frederiksen

QUESTION:

I am 18, a college sophomore and am deeply worried about the welfare of my two nephews, 3 and 2.

Thist past week-end, when this family visited my home, my brother-in-law had been busily playing with the eldest boy and suddently stopped when dinner was announced, offering the child no explanation, and simply walking out of the room. Naturally, my nephew was shattered, threw himself on the floor and began crying.

My sister asked the boy to get up. He refused and continued to cry. My brother-in-law then lifted the boy up by his wrists and began to hit him. My sister did nothing. My parents and I looked on in shocked disbelief. What was even worse was that my sister admitted that sometimes she treats the child in the same manner.

Also, the more my brother-in-law hit the child, the more he would run towards him.

Right now, my family is split, and it bothers me a great deal. My mother and I refuse to talk to my sister and her husband. My father, being the more lenient type, does converse with them. I have told my sister how wrong they both are, but she does not respond.

ANSWER:

Severe physical punishment, as a regular routine, is no way to teach a child about self-control. It only makes him more frightened than ever about the world outside and the people in it. If his parents can be that cruel to him, then much worse treatment can be expected from strangers.

However, every parent in a moment of tension of fear, may slap a child, to stop him. True, the parent loses control over himself momentarily, but to the youngster, this is also a sign that he is loved and cared about. He is not alone in being weak and helpless. He sees that the authority figures can slip, too, and that is is not the end of the world, either for him or for the parent. After being slapped and hurt, he is loved and accepted again, just as before.

Sometimes, when grandparents are too permissive and too giving, young parents may become overly punitive with their children. It is also a way of blaming the grandparent for the misbehavior. If they weren't so giving, the child would not be so demanding, and the parents would not have to be so harsh.

Your nephew heard when dinner was announced and understood what it meant. This was no earth-shaking separation trauma, for which the child had to be carefully prepared. The father is a loving parent who evidently cares for his older boy and enjoys playing with him. By stopping the play in order to go into dinner promptly, the father was showing good manners, and mindfulness of other people, which is important for a child to learn.

Children, when they know they are misbehaving, sometimes continue until they are stopped. The father may have felt he had to be severe to maintain his authority over the child, and perhaps the child was asking for it.

These young parents seemingly are adhering to an important basic principle, which is unity of the parents in the rearing of the child. If they should disagree, they evidently do so privately and do not allow the family to divide them against each other. When a child sees parents so loyal to each other, he knows they will be loyal to him, too, and will stand by him in times of need.

By your reactions to your brother-in law's strict disciplinary procedures, you and your mother may really be fighting an ancient battle against the leniency of your father. A cessation of communications only multiplies hostility, which can hurt more than a slap. Your little nephew, aware of the tension in the family, must wonder why his aunt and grandmother have deserted him. It is good that your father has kept a line open for reconciliation. You ought to use it.

If your family really loves the little ones, you should show respect for the parents who are rearing them and tolerance for their methods of discipline. Disagreements and disapproval, if expressed with kindness and respect, will be listened to, and in time may affect the parents' handling of the little ones.

The tactics you and your mother are employing will only give your sister and her husband justification, even if it is not really a good one, for not listening to your suggestions.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

CRANBERRY APPLE COBBLER

6 apples, peeled, cored and sliced
2 cups fresh cranberries, rinsed and drained
1 1|2 cups sugar
1|2 teaspoon cinnamon
1|2 teaspoon nutmeg
1 cup water
3 tablespoons butter
2 cups sifted flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1|2 teaspoon salt
1 egg, well beaten
3|4 cup milk
Whipped cream

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Combine apples, cranberries, sugar, spices, water and butter in saucepan. Cook over medium heat until mixture buttles. Lower heat and simmer 10 to 15 minutes or until apples are tender but still firm. Pour mixture into a shallow, two-quart casserole. Mix flour, baking powder and salt add egg and milk and stir only until all dry particles are moistened. Drop dough by spoonfuls on top of cranberry mixture.

Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until biscuits are golden brown. Place a biscuit in a serving dish and spoon some of the sauce over it. Serve with whipped cream.

Yield: 8 servings.

FILLERS

by Ruthie

Ever read a newspaper and come across a few lines that meant absolutely nothing to the page? Like, maybe, the population of Timbucktoo or how many grapes there are in a vineyard. They're little bits of information that are there to take up space.

Sometimes though you come across supposed news that's better left out. Because everybody is a mayven (expert) on something, he thinks.

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One doctor in England, a social anthropologist, says that people who have hit the age of 55 are too old, out of date.

"The old are only competent to do the job that they were brought up to do—that is, operate with the out of date, over simplified stereotypes that were current in their youth."

I don't know. I'm a long way off to that but I'd hate to think I couldn't function in this world when I reached the fifth decade.

So how about all grandmas and grandpas, they should live and be well, who drip with wise sayings? We couldn't do without them.

As for knowing what's coming off, well, I know a sixty-year old who does a mean Watusi. He springs so much and with such agility that my joints creak just looking at him.

How about all these running for office of some kind? Surely they're not that senile to want to perform any public service if they felt they were incompetent.

According to our mayvens, if you're pushing maturity you're too feeble even to think for yourself. I wonder how old they are.

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But here's something cute.

A six-year-old says, "When my grandmother gets mad at my mother, do you know what she does? She puts on her coat and she goes for a walk. And when she comes back she isn't mad anymore."

Now this wouldn't effect you one way or another till you read on: It"s a useful technique, especially for oldsters.

Na, what's oldsters dofka (especially) got to do with it?

So you and I don't get mad? We can't use a good walk sometimes?

Come to think of it, could everybody taking a walk maybe be working off a mad?

And if that means anything is another matter. Because if you're maybe walking along window shopping and feel pretty good you can get pretty angry and feel frustrated if you can't buy then and there.

So there's for and against.

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Some women, the paper says, who get angry work it off in the house. You know, a complete once over.

That's not my cup of tea. I'm madder when I think of housework.

Isn't it awful? Wouldn't it be wonderful if you cleaned once and that's that? But it gets to be a habit like eating every day.

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I read someplace of another transplant. The face of a two-months-old puppy was put onto, I think, a moagrel.

Now if that ever developed to a science and it was tried on humans! It could be the answer to how come such a gorgeous female has such an ugly offspring? You'd never be sure how she really looked till she had children.

Can't we call it a day with noses?

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BULLETINS

AGENCY CRITICISED OVER VOLUNTEERS

Tel Aviv, (JCNS) The manner in which the whole question of volunteers has been dealt with has come in for heavy criticism. A demand for an inquiry on the subject is said to have been rejected by Mr. Arye L. Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive.

According to figures just published, only 3,000 out of the 7,300 volunteers were still in Israel at the end of November, in addition to 700 who decided to settle here.

Of those who volunteered for three months, only 1,100 were interviewed by the Jewish Agency before leaving Israel. Forty per cent of those questioned reported to have declared that they desired no further contact with Israel.

"Haaretz," the independent daily, has accused the Agency of treating volunteers as if they were cattle. They were grouped, taken to kibbutizm and left there...

"In one kibbutz, the volunteers had to pay for bed-sheets and for coffee. When they complained, they were sent away.

"Letters for volunteers were sent to wrong addresses; and even today hundreds of letters for them, and even cables were lying about in Tel Aviv.

"...The list of volunteers prepared by the Jewish Agency with the help of a computer, proved to be wrong in 50 per cent of all cases," the paper said.

WEST BANK ARABS VISIT JORDAN

Tel Aviv, (JCNS) Since last week hundreds of Arabs living in East Jerusalem and the West Bank have been issued with permits to pay short visits to relatives in Jordan.

Some of these people told correspondents at one of the bridges across the river on their return that the main wish of Pelastinians living beyond the cease-fire lines was an early peace settlement so as to rejoin their relatives.

West Bank Arabs now hope for freedom of movement in both directions and the reunification of more families.

ARAB-JEWISH GROUPS FORMED

Jerusalem, (JCNS) A joint Arab-Jewish executive committee for the Junior Chamber of Commerce and a joint Arab-Jewish group to study the problems of traders and craftsmen in reunited Jerusalem were formed at a meeting of businessmen from all parts of the city.

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life sentences demanded for nazi murderers

Muenster (JCNS) - The prosecutor has asked a Muenster court to impose life sentences on seven former Nazis accused of the individual murder of Jews and of complicity in the killing of about 120,000 Jews and members of the Polish intelligentsia in Polish Galicia during the war.

They are Hans Krueger, 58, the former Gestapo chief at Stanislav (now in USSR); Heinrich Schott, 67, Ernst Varchmin; Franz Mause 56; Werner Hagemann, 55; Alfred Nass, 61; Tosef Daus, 53.

The prosecutor also asked for the acquittal of Helmut Grusa, 57, one of the other eight men in the dock facing complicity charges.

Meanwhile, the retrial of Franz Rademacher, a former Nazi diplomat, on charges of complicity in the murder of more than 1,300 Serbian Jews during the war, is expected to open in Bamberg in February.

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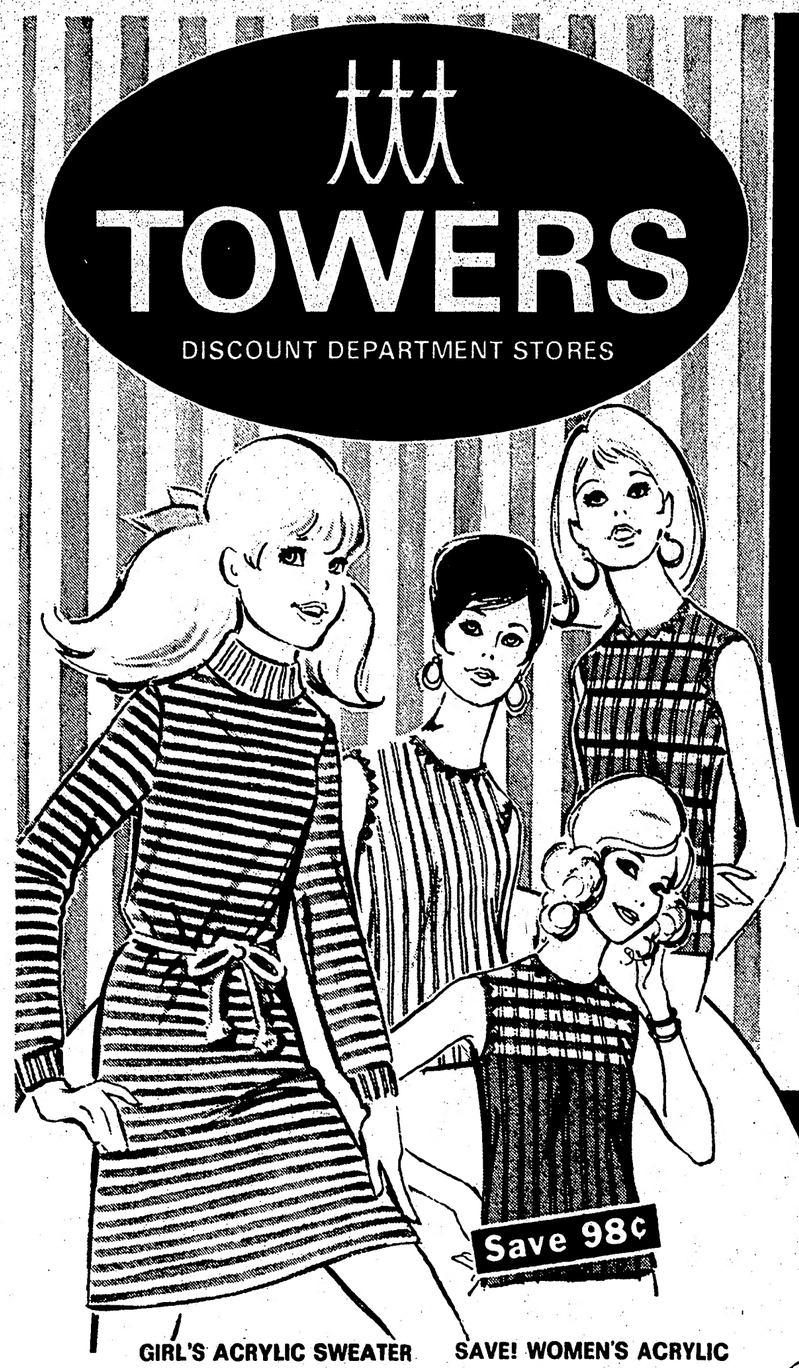

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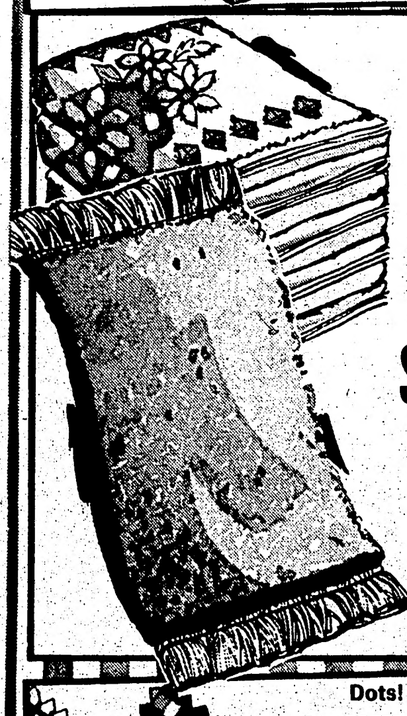

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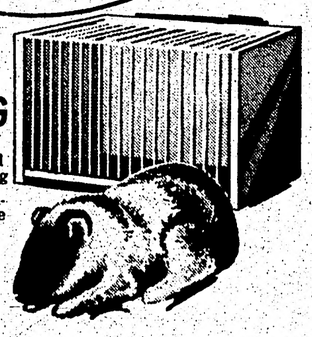

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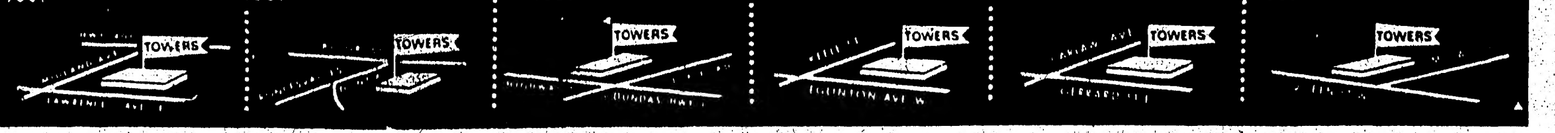

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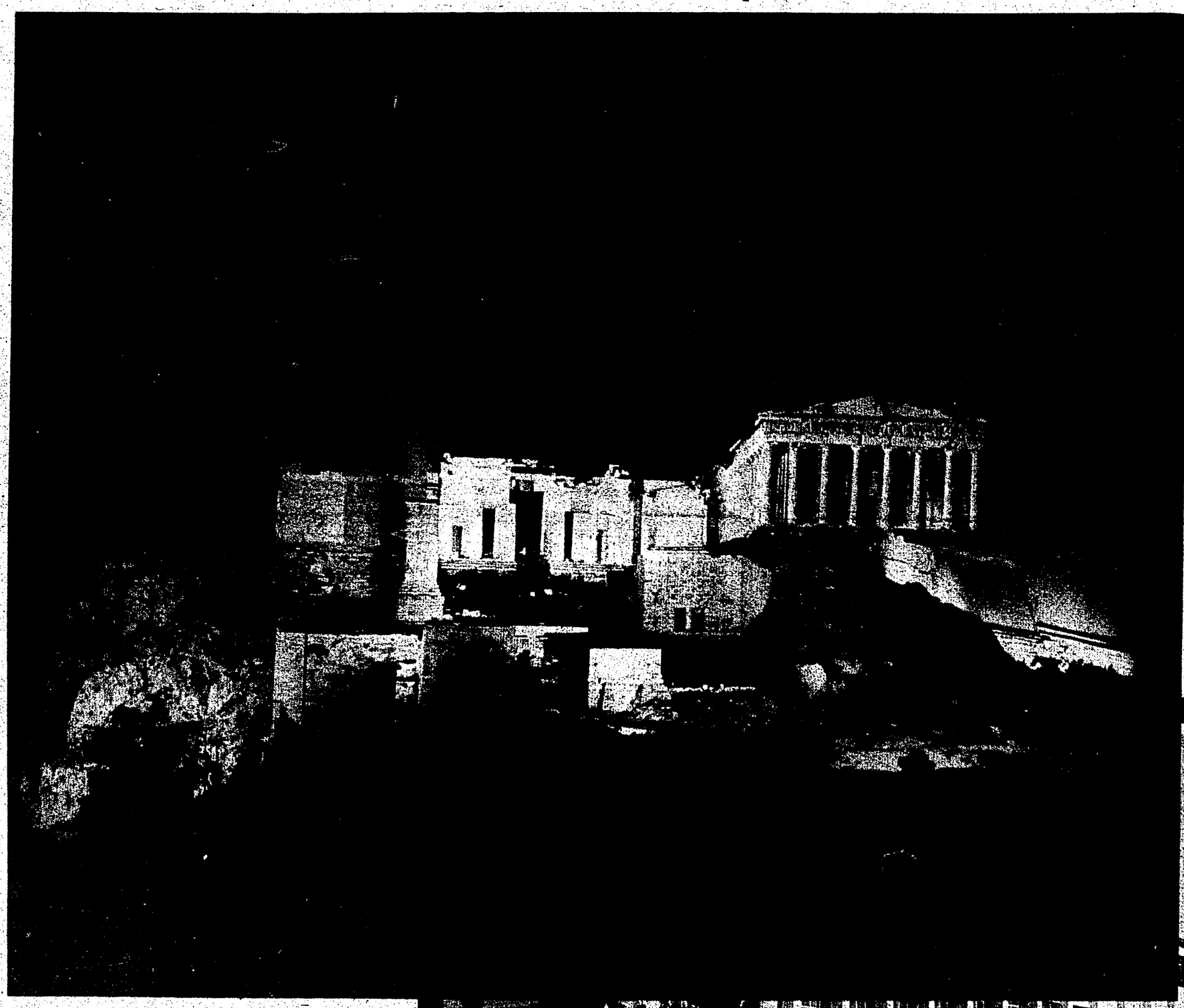

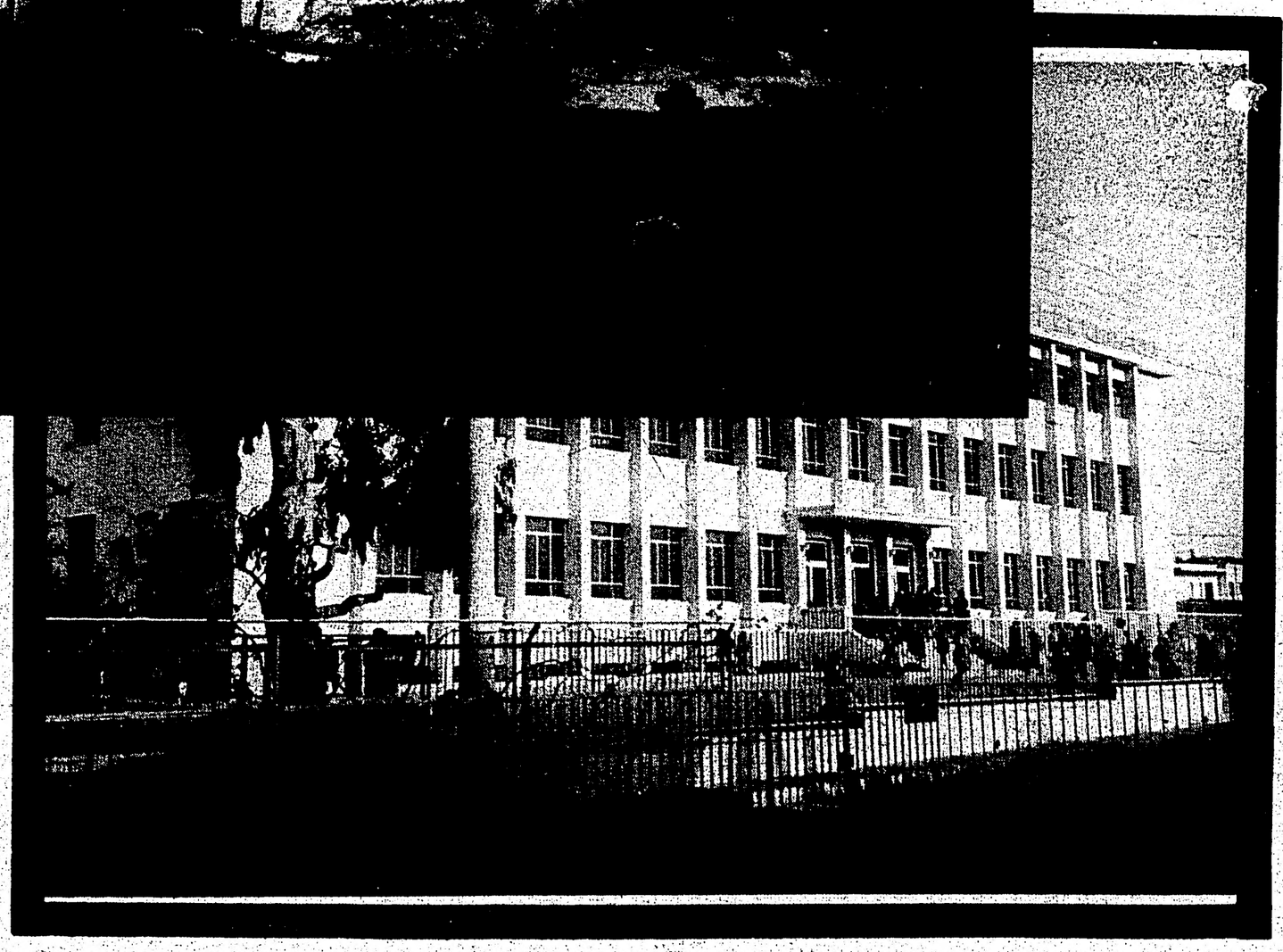

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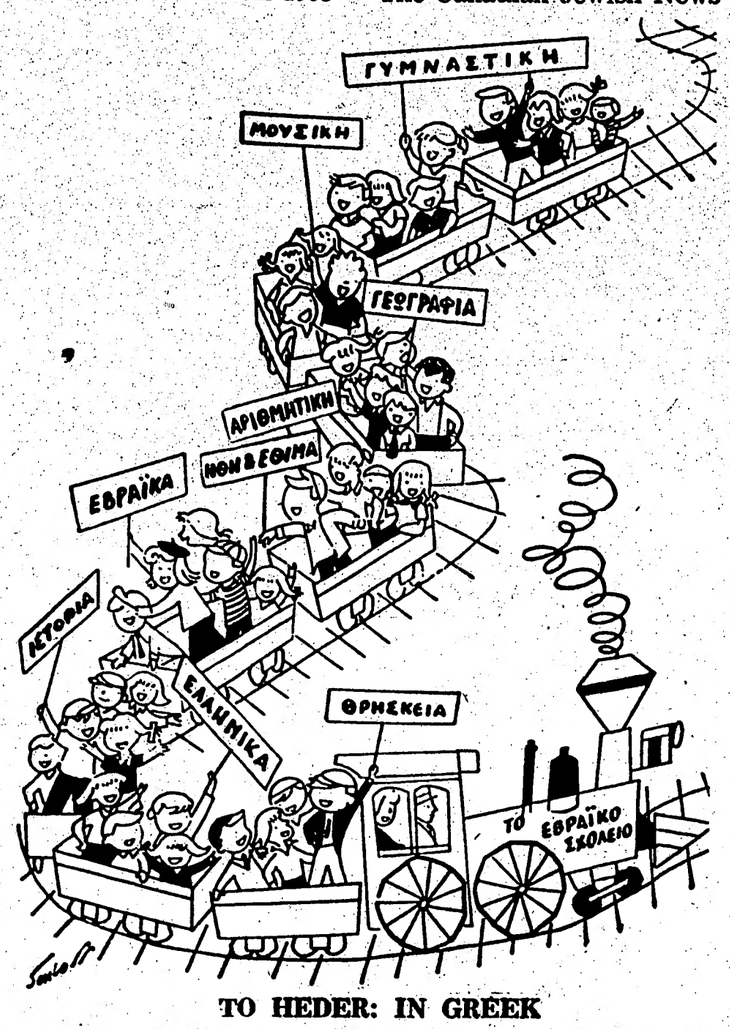

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Tourist Mecca

by The Canadian Jewish News travel editor

In 1967 approximately a quarter-of-a-million tourists visited Greece. Of these, approximately one-third were Jews from various countries of the west. These travelers, many en route to Israel, chose Athens as their stopover.

This is a renewal of an ancient tradition as Greece has been for thousands of years the natural stopover for travelers to the Holy Land. Its extreme beauty, its friendly people, its unusually well organized tourist industry, including the finest hotels, has become again the attraction of the very sophisticated among world travelers especially those going to Israel.

Many also either are investing in Greece or building resort homes. Among the most famous resort residents are Yehudi Menuhin and Vladmir Ashkenazy. For Greece still attracts lovers of theater, music and literature. It is a country that perpetually sings and inspires one. It is the country of three-hundred sunny days a year. It is the country of culture, fun, relaxation and laughter.

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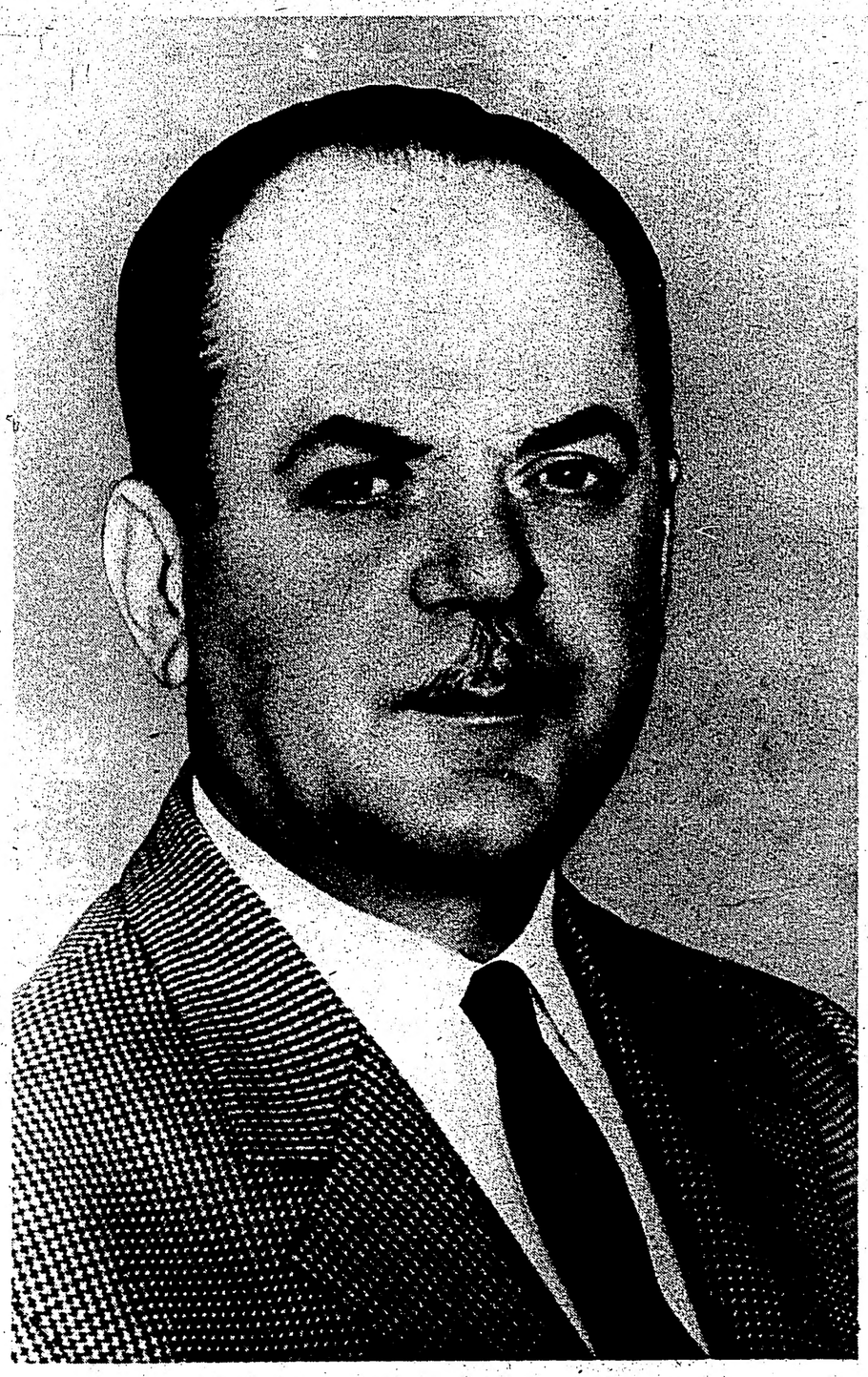


His Excellency George PAPADOPOULOS

Message

by His Excellency
THE PRIME MINISTER OF GREECE

The initiative of the newspaper THE CANADIAN JEWISH NEWS to devote a special issue to Greece is a happy occasion.

We seize this opportunity to address cordial greetings to the friendly Canadian people and to our numerous compatriots who live in this great liberal country.

The Greek nation, inspired by the ideals of liberty, is a herald of equality among men, regardless of race and religion, and a champion of human rights. A practical proof of this are the countless examples of self-sacrifice by the Greek people, during the Nazi occupation, for the protection of our Jewish compatriots.

I am sure that the present publication will help to brief the many readers of THE CANADIAN JEWISH NEWS on the achievement of modern Greece and, particularly, on her economic and tourist development, as well as on her export trade.

GEORGE PAPADOPOULOS
the Prime Minister

Athens, January 1968

G. Papadopoulos

the greek premier

a soldier who fought fascists, nazis and communists

His Excellency George Papadopoulos, present Prime Minister of Greece, is a relatively young man so far as statesmen go. Yet in his forty-nine years he has been active in many areas, military and political. A colonel of the army until he became prime minister, Mr. Papadopoulos is known as a fighter. Twice he was awarded the Gold Medal of Valor and twice the War Cross.

The present Prime Minister of Greece is a man of the anti-German resistance during World War II. He fought the Nazi invaders valiantly as he had the Italian Fascist occupants before them. When the Communists tried to ensalve Greece, he again was on the battlefield fighting for the true independence of his country.

Mr. Papadopoulos now has succeeded in stabilizing his free enterprise government which assures not only liberal international trade policies but also absolute religious freedom for all Greeks Christians and Jews.

He accomplished, in the words of an international correspondent, "the delicate task of moving the regime through its military phase" into its present political stage.

George Papadopoulos was born in Eleochorion, Achaia, in 1919. In August, 1940, he graduated from the War Academy as Second Lieutenant. Two months later the Greek-Italian war imposed by Mussolini broke out and he found himself in the frontline. He served on the Albanian front through the six-month war as a platoon leader and lieutenant.

When the Germans occupied Greece, he joined the national resistance units in the struggle against the Nazis.

Soon after the deliberation, Papadopoulos was appointed staff officer and subsequently moved into intelligence.

Again when the Communists launched the civil war, Papadopoulos joined the active defence forces serving for nineteen months as commander of an artillery battery.

During this period, fighting against foreign Communist invasion, George Papadopoulos was promoted to Captain; then, in 1949, to Major.

Throughout this period his record was described as "excellent" and more medals were added to the three he had been awarded during the Greek-Italian war. This time he received the Medal for Distinguished Conduct, the Silver Cross of the Royal Order of George I, with swords, and four war crosses. He graduated with top marks from both the artillery school (1945) and the training officers school in the Middle East (1946).

At the end of the war against Communist invasion he was again assigned to the artillery school as instructor. He attended at this time also the school of the army engineers corps, and was awarded another - the tenth - medal, the Gold Cross of the Royal Order of George I, with swords.

During the last five months of 1952 and up to September 1953, he served as artillery unit commander and, subsequently (up to January 2, 1954) he taught at the artillery school, for the last time, as instructor. From June to September 1953, he attended the American Methods Section of the artillery school from which he graduated with top marks.

In 1954 he was awarded the Medal of Military Merit.

From 1955 to 1957, he served at the (A2) Intelligence Bureau of Army General Staff and, for the following two years, as chief of staff of an artillery division. In August 1956 he was promoted to Lt. Colonel. In the period following 1955 he attended the following schools and special military training courses:

(a) 1955 - The Higher War School
(b) 1956 - The Naval Academy
(c) 1958 - The Armed Forces School of Special Weapons

For the following five years (August 1959 - July 1964) he was posted to the Central Intelligence Service.

In August 1960, he was promoted to Colonel and was awarded the cross of the Commander of the Royal Order of Phoenix.

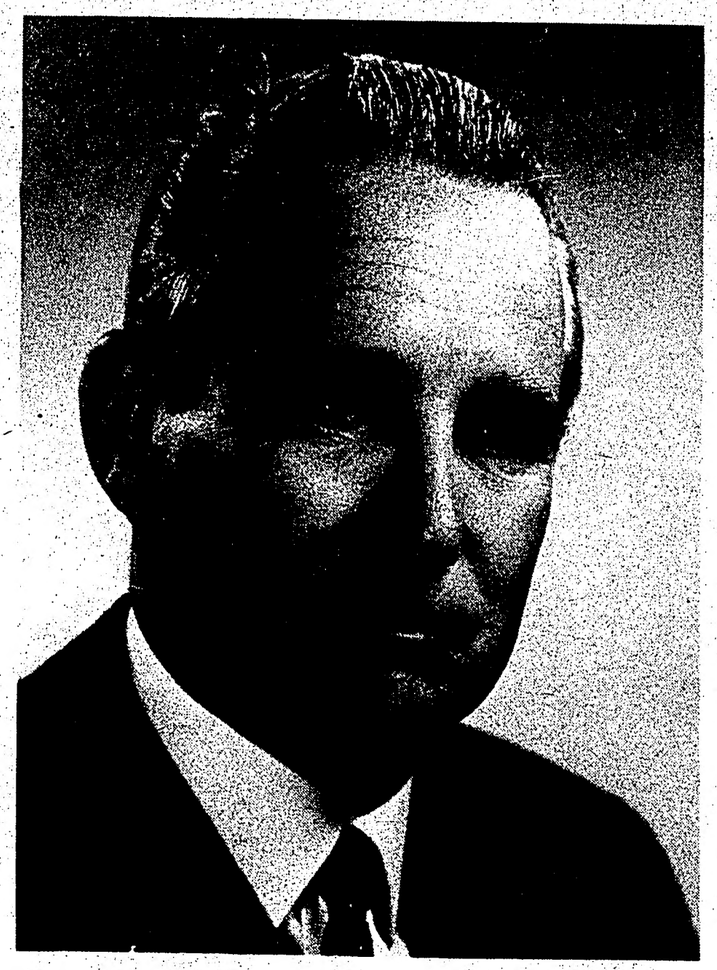
During the last three years he served in the following posts: From July 1964 to October 1965, commander of the 117 field-artillery unit, from October 1965 to August 1966, in the first army force, from August 1966 to April 21, 1967, when he was appointed Minister to the Prime Minister's Office, he served at the 3rd staff bureau of the Army General Staff.

Greece is a member of Nato and thus an ally of both Canada and the U.S.A.

His Excellency
NICHOLAS MAKAREZOS

Foreign investments in Greece: the facts

by his excellency
NICHOLAS MAKAREZOS
Minister of Economic Coordination



Probably the most generous benefits available to foreign investors in the world today are contained in Greece's legal framework for foreign capital. The fundamental legislation first opening the door to foreign business in Greece is Law 2687 enacted in 1953. Its most unique aspect is that the provisions of all agreements to import foreign capital for productive investment approved under the Law are protected by the Greek Constitution and can only be changed with the explicit permission of the investor or by a revision of the Constitution. The guarantees given under this law are comprehensive. All imported capital enjoys the right of repatriation in addition to the privilege of remitting profits and interest. Special tax concessions are also available under the law, including the freezing and/or reduction of current income tax rates and of local and municipal taxes, and full exemption from duties on imported equipment and spare parts. The assets of all approved foreign investments are exempt from compulsory expropriation. All foreign companies are permitted to employ aliens in the higher echelons of their staff. Unfavorable discrimination against foreign firms is prohibited.

Since 1953 the Greek Government has continued its efforts to promote the economic development of the country by encouraging private investment. In order to encourage large-scale investment by both local and foreign enterprises, the Government passed Law 4171 in 1961 (amended by Law 4256 in 1962).

All new enterprises with capital exceeding $2 million and existing enterprises extending their installations with an investment exceeding $667,000 are covered. In addition to liberalizing the capital servicing privileges already offered by law 2687, this legislation permits the freezing of income and local taxes and exemption from payment of property taxes for a period of up to 15 years from the start of operations. It exempts imported machinery and equipment from the payment of duties. It allows exclusive use of all harbor facilities built at the firm's expense, and in some instances, exclusive use of coastal waters in front of the firm's facilities for up to 15 years. Similar and further tax concessions are extended by other laws, to mining and export enterprises and to investments outside the Athens area. In addition, a body of laws exists which sets forth special low rates of interest on loans and credit to export, tourist and mining enterprises.

The results of the program to encourage foreign investment in Greece has been most impressive. By the end of 1966 approvals of foreign investment applications under Law 2687 for the Protection of Foreign Capital totalled $687 million. Of this sum, $229 million comprises investments from the United States, $213 million from Common Market countries and $245 million from remaining countries. A few of the major companies which have invested in Greece include Esso, Pirelli, Philips' Gloelampenfabrieken, Pechiney, Dow Chemical, Unilever, First National City Bank, Colgate-Palmolive, Siemens International Paper Corporation, Placer Development Ltd., Fulgor S.P.A. Fried Krupp, Ethyl Corporation, Metal Box Co. Overseas Ltd., N.F.C. Ishikawajima Harima Heavy Industries Co. Ltd., American Standard, I.T.T., Allied Chemical.

Greece offers a number of advantages to foreign investors aside from legal incentives. There is an abundant labor supply and Greek workers are very quick and adaptable. Greece's association with the Common Market makes it possible to export to Common Market countries under the prevailing low tariffs applicable to member country goods while its own products continue to be protected during the transition period leading to full membership. Greece enjoys friendly relations, strong trading links and a close proximity with Middle Eastern and North African countries. Finally, Greece is blessed with a most pleasant Mediterranean climate.

This highly favorable framework for foreign Investment was further strengthened by a series of measures enacted by the National Government since the Revolution of April 21, 1967. The National Government's success in securing stability and in abolishing bureaucracy and red tape increases the interest Greece offers to the foreign investor. The Foreign Capital Service of the Ministry of Coordination is now not only a procedural body but also offers advice and assistance to interested parties from the moment the idea of the investment is born until its final fruition, in the interest of the businessman and of the Greek economy.

The results of the new conditions are easily demonstrated by the following facts. The average total level of investments approved under Law 2687 over the period 1960 to 1966 (during which more than 90 percent of foreign investment took place) was $90 million per annum. The total value of approvals of foreign investments from January 1 to October 21, 1967 is already $107 million*. However, only $19 million was approved before the Revolution. That is, the first four months of the year represent only 20 percent of the total approved over the period, or in other words, 80 percent of the total was approved during the subsequent six months reign of the National Government.

Recently, three important economic measures, Compulsory Laws 89, 147 and 148 were layed down by the National Government.

Compulsory Law 89, exempts from payment of tariffs and taxes and provides other special privileges to foreign firms doing business abroad but wishing to establish their operating base in Greece. A number of companies conducting business in Middle Eastern and North African countries have already taken advantage of this law, including National Cash Register, Union Carbide, C.H. Boehringer Sohn, Sikkens Groep, and Standard Brands, Inc.,

*In addition to these an amount of $100,000,000 has been approved by the Currency Committee.

Compulsory Law 147 provides that the State will pay a portion of the interest incurred by private firms on loans for investment in industrial plant. In addition, this law (a) increases permissible depreciation rates on fixed assets --- by 50 to 200 percent, depending on the geographical location of the installations and (b) exempts from payment of income tax all net profits which are re-invested by industrial or mining enterprises.

Finally, Compulsory Law 148 modernizes the legislation governing corporations in order to support and encourage the further development of the Greek Capital Market. It provides the facilities enabling an increased number of Greek corporations to list their shares in the Stock Exchange and will make it possible for more of the public to participate in the stock market.

CANADA-GREECE

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a message from
H. F. FEAVER
Canada's Ambassador to Greece

I was very interested to learn from you of your intention to publish a Greek supplement in **The Canadian Jewish News.** Please accept my congratulations for taking this splendid initiative.

Throughout our country's history, the Greek and Canadian peoples have maintained unbroken friendship, strengthened by alliance in two world wars, during which Greece made particularly heavy sacrifices.

The Greek State Visit to Canada this summer contributed to reminding both nations of their close ties. In very felicitous words, His Majesty called upon Greek communities, especially numerous in Toronto and Montreal, to remain true to the tradition and culture of their motherland — and thereby become better Canadians.

All Canadians are conscious of the great contribution made to this country's prosperity and cultural life by their compatriots of Greek origin, who have brought with them and kept alive the invaluable heritage of Greek civilization.

The Canadian people greatly value their historic bonds and continuing friendship with the Greek nation. I sincerely trust that the **Canadian Jewish News** will succeed in promoting this cause.

H. F. FEAVER
Canadian Ambassador to Greece

Why Greece attracts foreign capital

by a special correspondent

Greece has become an ideal country for foreign investments. After achieving one of the highest rates of economic development for a number of years, the country's main efforts now are directed at industrialisation. And, to support these efforts, a series of legislative measures attracting foreign capital under most favorable conditions have been implemented.

In addition to these incentives, which have been completed during the tenure of the present government, conditions prevailing in Greece are encouraging foreign investments still further. The upward trend of the country's economy, currency stability and the establishment of political calm, are additional prerequisites guaranteeing rapid development on a sound basis.

The official policy of the Greek Government on foreign investments is analysed in an article by the Greek Minister of Coordination, Mr. N. Makarezos, in this supplement.

In the following article, a special correspondent in Athens, gives details of this interesting side of Greek economy.

The effort to speed up the country's economic development, suspended by the Second World War, has become more imperative, especially after the destruction of a considerable proportion of infrastructure works, owing to the nearly three-year foreign-inspired communist invasion which aimed at aligning Greece with the Iron Curtain. The first aid to face the sad consequences of this war came from the United States.

Since the country has resumed normal life, the view that speeding up the country's economic development may only be achieved by industrialisation, has been confirmed. But Greek industry has at all times lacked capital while, at the same time, local resources could not possibly cover the requirements of industrial units, let alone industrialisation of agricultural production on a large scale, of mineral resources and of raw materials.

THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM

Thus, the solution of the problem of financing Greek industry became imperative, especially after the end of American aid to the Greek state through the Marshal Plan, a considerable part of which went to industry in the form of loans.

A basic effort to solve the problem was made in 1953, through Legislative Decree 2687/53 regarding "attracting and protecting foreign capital". There followed a decision of the Currency Committee allowing Greek industries to obtain term credits from similar foreign industries, as well as to contract loans from corresponding foreign enterprises or banks.

Law 2687/53 is of great importance seeing that it aims at increasing productive investments in view of developing national production and economic progress, including development of popular housing. The Law is safeguarded by a special clause of article 112 of the Constitution of Greece, providing implementation of legislation for the protection of foreign capital. According to this law, conditions and details in each concrete case of importing and using foreign capital are determined by special approving administrative act. Such approving act is irrevocable, in what regards conditions provided by the Law, and constitutes a guarantee of the Greek state to the foreign investor that his capital will be governed by this Law.

TAX EXEMPTION

The two main points of the Law are restitution and servicing of capital on the one hand, and, on the other hand, the granting of tax exemptions.

In the first case, servicing of capital is ensured by the obligation of the Bank of Greece to convert the re-

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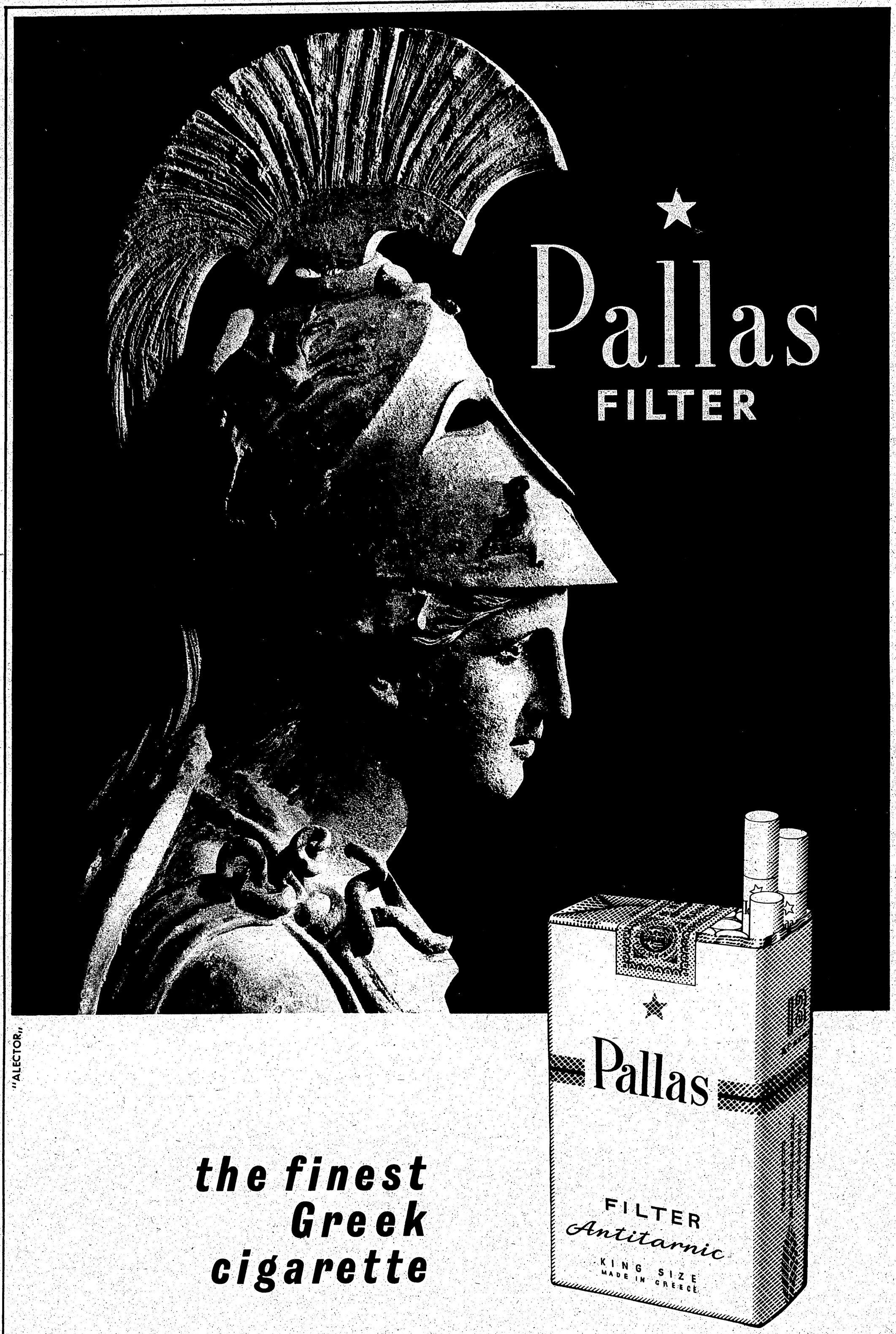

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Developments in the Greek economy during the year 1967

The Greek economy expanded at a substantial pace during 1967 and made important progress towards higher standards of living and structural change. It is significant that this progress was achieved within a framework of monetary stability both internally and in the balance of payments. Inflationary pressures, which had become all too evident in previous years were brought under control. Confidence in the currency was strengthened and foreign investors were granted liberal incentives on capital imports.

The rate of growth in Gross National Product is estimated at about 5 percent during 1967, despite the slight recession which began in the second half of 1966 and whose origin should be sought in the slowing-down of the residential construction boom. A series of radical measures, taken during the second and third quarter of 1967, and relating especially to the financial aspects of the economy, were instrumental in bringing about the beginnings of recovery. Industrial production was at a higher level compared with both 1966 and 1965 while agricultural production registered its highest rate of increase in recent years. Investment, too, was at a higher level than in 1966, despite the slowing-down in residential construction investment. Equally significant were the developments in the balance of payments and in Greece's external economic relations generally. For the first time in many years the trade deficit of Greece not only stopped rising but actually declined by more than $50 million compared with 1966. This should be attributed to a great extent to the very substantial increase in exports particularly of manufactured goods. The improvement, however, in Greece's external accounts was not confined to the trade balance alone. Despite the Middle East crisis in June, a substantial increase in invisible receipts (mainly from shipping) had the effect of reducing the current account deficit to well below the level of 1966. The increase in the country's gold and foreign exchange reserves provides a good indicator of the soundness of Greece's external position. During 1967, official reserves are estimated to increase by about $20 million dollars to about $260 million. If the country's gold position at the I.M.F. and Bank of Greece holdings of gold sovereigns are included then the total reserves exceeds $360 million, an adequate amount by any standards.

The soundness of the Greek currency is also attested by the fact that the recent devaluation of sterling left it completely unaffected.

In the more narrow field of monetary and price developments the emphasis throughout 1967 was on strengthening confidence and maintaining, through general measures, price stability. As the more detailed review which follows shows, policy was eminently successful in preserving price stability.

A significant development during 1967 was the increasing interest which foreign banks showed in establishing branches in Greece. The Currency Committee has already given permission to the Chase Manhattan, the Bank of Nova Scotia, and the Bank of America to set up branches in Greece. The decision of the three internationally known banks to start operating in Greece should make a valuable contribution to the economic development of the country.

The year 1967 has proved a very successful one for foreign investment in Greece. Many foreign concerns have either brought in or intend to bring in large amounts of capital for setting up subsidiaries either singly or in cooperation with Greek firms. A most significant development in this field is the agreement signed last spring with Litton-Benelux, involving total investment of $840 million spread over the next twelve years. In addition special laws were passed providing important incentives to foreign firms wishing to set up offices in Greece.

As already mentioned 1967 was mainly characterised by increased confidence in the soundness of the currency which, in turn was mainly generated by the harnessing of inflationary pressures especially from the second quarter onwards. The effect on bank deposits was direct and staggering to its magnitude. From May onwards the monthly rise in bank deposits, was on average, twice as large as in the corresponding months of 1966 and many times higher than 1965. This can be seen quite clearly in Table 1 below.

TABLE 1

Monthly Change in Savings Deposits (Million drs.)

	1965	1966	1967
May	+161	+421	+626
June	+525	+728	+980
July	-149	+483	+864
August	- 97	+576	+861
September	-161	+626	+510
October	+344	+566	+353

Source: Bank of Greece

The relatively small increase in deposits during October was mainly related to the fact that the new Economic Development loan was subscribed to heavily by the public during that month.

As far as the relative distribution of new bank deposits is concerned the commercial banks received the greatest part of them. Specificially, 76.4% of the increase in total deposits in the first ten months of the year went to the commercial banks, 18.1% to the Postal Savings Bank and 5.5% to other credit institutions.

The substantial influx of new deposits into the banking system broadened the liquidity base of the banks and allowed them to expand significantly their financing to the economy. Thus within the first nine months of 1967 bank financing to the economy rose by 6,530 million drs. compared with an increase of 6,258 million drs. in the corresponding period of 1966. If financing to the private sector is considered separately then it can be seen that the increase in this category of financing was particularly noticeable. Specificially, in the January-September period of 1967 financing of the private sector rose by 6,305 million drs. compared with a much smaller rise of 4,933 million drs. in the corresponding period of 1966. Moreover, the monthly increase in private sector financing during 1967 has been greater, on average, than that of 1966 (with the single exception of May). The relevant figures are set out in Table 2, below.

TABLE 2

Monthly changes in financing (Million drs.)

	Total Financing		Private Sector Financing	
	1966	1967	1966	1967
January	-140	-194	-440	-309
February	-146	- 39	-150	- 5
March	+953	+1,275	+1,044	+1,206
April	+440	+1,361	+940	+1,351
May	+1,027	-445	+930	+343
June	+1,817	+1,499	+1,239	+1,450
July	+417	+743	+310	+396
August	+196	+872	+335	+701
September	+1,694	+1,458	+725	+1,172
Total	+6,258	+6,530	+4,933	+6,305

Source: Bank of Greece

The branches of the economy which benefited most from the substantial increase in private sector financing were agriculture and manufacturing industry. The sector of tourism also benefited since the increase in its financing was substantially greater than that of 1966. The increase in agricultural and industrial financing referred mainly to long-term loans for investment. In particular, long-term loans to industry and mining increased by more than 700 million drs. in the first nine months of 1967 compared with increases of just over 300 million drs. and 150 million drs. in the corresponding periods of 1966 and 1965.

Finally, total financing of the public sector showed a relatively smaller increase during 1967. This constitutes a healthy development since it arose from paying back old loans to the commercial banks.

The strengthening of public confidence had an extremely favorable impact not only on bank deposits but also on the broad spectrum of capital market assets. Both prices and the level of transactions increased considerably in the Athens Stock Exchange especially during the third quarter of 1967. The immediate contributory factor behind this boom should be sought in public expectations concerning the anticipated government measures on the capital market and on incentives to corporate investment. The laws containing these measures were promulgated in October 1967 and had the immediate effect of boosting share prices even higher. The overall trend can be seen clearly in the following table.

TABLE 3

Percentage changes in share price indices. Athens Stock Exchange (1952 = 100)

	April as against Dec. of previous year		Oct. as against Dec. of previous year	
	1966	1967	1966	1967
INDUSTRIALS				
General Index	+6.6	-3.0	+2.1	+11.1
Foodstuffs	+6.2	-0.7	+17.0	+10.8
Chemicals	+5.1	-2.2	+5.8	-12.9
Textiles	+13.6	+3.3	+13.1	+0.8
Building materials	+10.6	-1.5	-0.5	+14.2
Transport	-0.3	-12.2	-6.5	+12.3
Miscellaneous	-3.3	-3.9	+0.3	+5.5
BANKS-INSURANCE	+8.1	+0.9	+4.2	+27.9

Source: Athens Stock Exchange

More particularly the general index of industrial share prices rose sharply from the third quarter onwards reversing thus its downward trend during the first half of 1967. The rise referred to all industries except those of textiles, and was influenced heavily by expectations concerning the new government measures, as mentioned already.

The Stock Exchange price boom had an important effect on the value of transactions. Specifically, the value of transactions in shares rose by 14.2% in the first ten months of 1967 compared with the corresponding period of 1966. This was mainly the result of increased transactions from May onwards.

Transactions in bonds also show a very significant increase during the first ten months of 1967. Compared with the level of the corresponding period of 1966, the value of bonds traded rose by over fifty percent during the January-October period of 1967.

Given such favorable conditions, both generally and more specifically, the success of the 1967 Development loan issued in October was relatively assured. What actually happened, however, surpassed even the most optimistic expectations. For the first time in the post-war financial history of Greece a new public loan was oversubscribed by private individuals. Usually, a certain part of a new loan was subscribed by individuals the balance being absorbed by various funds and public corporations. In the case of the 1967 Economic Development Loan this did not prove necessary since private subscriptions exceeded by far the amount of the loan (1,500 million drs.). In all, 2,500 million drs. worth of loans by the public sector were issued in 1967.

TABLE 4

New Public Sector Issues, January-October (Million drs.)

Years	Total Value	Government	Public Corporations
1965	800	-	800
1966	1,300	-	1,300
1967	2,500	1,500	1,000

Source: Athens Stock Exchange

As mentioned already the main factor in promoting public confidence was the successful control of inflationary pressures. Internal prices not only stopped rising after the second quarter of 1967 but have actually declined. This can be seen quite clearly in Tables 5 and 6 which are set out below.

TABLE 5

Percentage changes in the consumer price index

	1966		1967	
	General	Food	General	Food
1. Change between December of previous year and November of current year	+3.5	+3.2	-2.2	-4.8
2. Change between December of previous year and April of current year	+2.4	+3.5	+1.3	+2.6
3. Change between April and November of same year	+1.1	-0.2	-3.4	-7.1

Source: National Statistical Service of Greece

The declining trend was not confined to the consumer price index alone. The index of wholesale prices compiled by the Bank of Greece also registered a significant decline, as can be seen in the following table.

TABLE 6

Percentage changes in the wholesale price index

	1966		1967	
	General	Food	General	Food
1. Change between December of previous year and November of current year	+2.6	+2.3	-5.4	-9.0
2. Change between December of previous year and April of current year	+2.8	+3.5	+1.4	+2.4
3. Change between April and November of same year	-0.2	-1.2	-6.7	-11.1

Source: Bank of Greece

The general downward trend in prices is expected to be maintained for the next ten months. On the whole the outlook for the Greek economy is highly promising and this is due not only to price stability but also to the quickening pace of economic development which should lift Greece on to higher levels of material prosperity.

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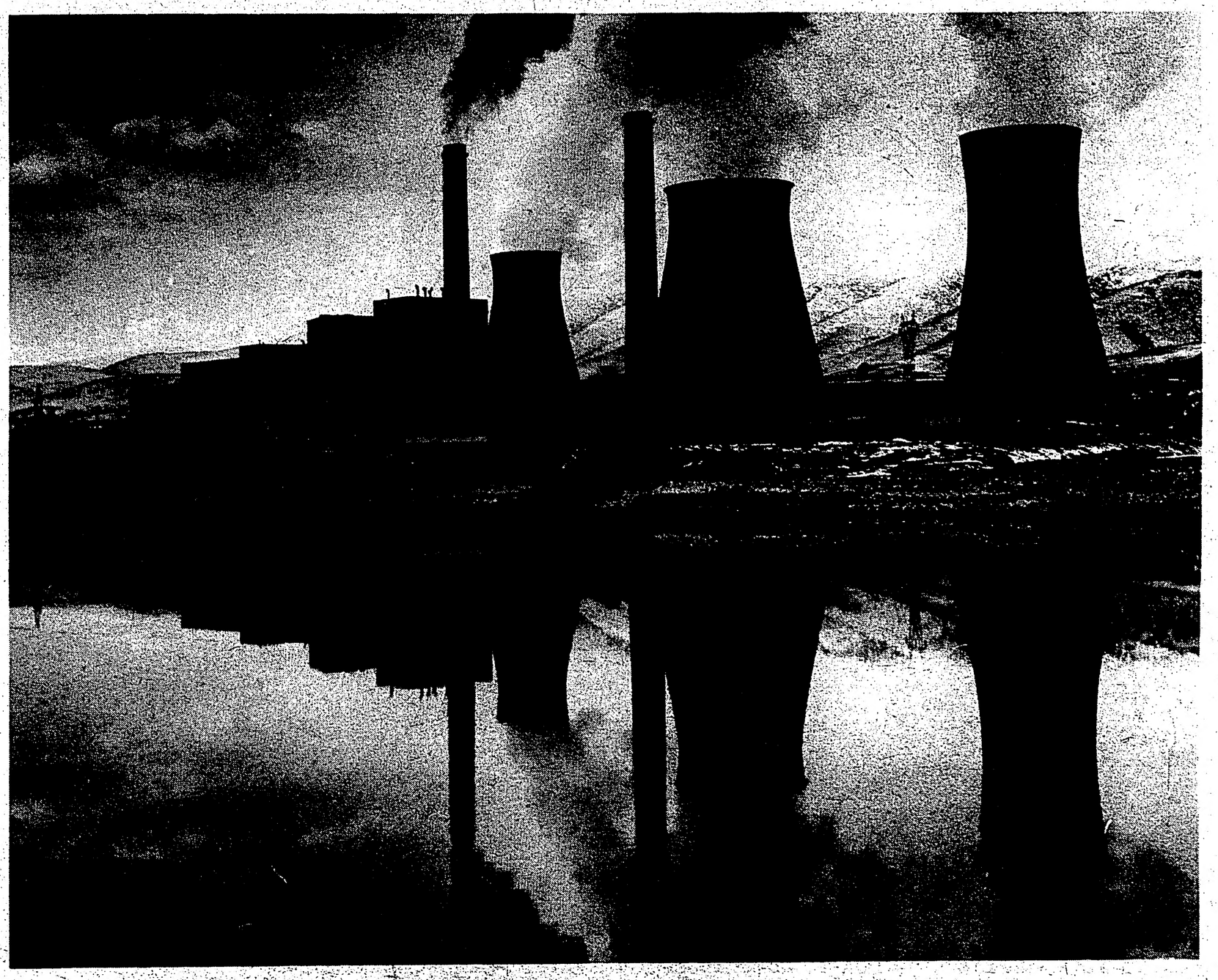


A VIEW OF THE POWER STATION OF PTOLEMANS WHICH USES LIGNITE OF THE REGION

The power sector - in the sense of production and consumption of electric energy - is one of the first to operate within the competitive framework created by Greece's association with the European Economic Community. This is evidenced by the fact that electric production and consumption, which in Greece is an exclusive privilege of the Public Power Corporation, presents a rapid upward trend characterizing, besides, the entire economy of this Country.

Thus, in 1966 power production in Greece marked an increase exceeding by 31% the production of 1965, while consumption reached still higher levels. These achievements, which are considerable from every point of view, become of still greater importance if we take into account that, only a few years ago, Greece had a rudimentary electric economy.

It is really noteworthy that in 1953, when the first power plant of the P.P.C. began to operate, total electric energy produced all over the country amounted to 873,425,000 KWH. This production was distributed in the area of the capital to the extent of 85.1% while absorbed 14.9% of total consumption. If, in parallel, we take into account that during that period, the capital had 20% of the country's total population, we can easily draw the conclusion that, even insuffiently, Athens and Piraeus had an electric economy which, for the most part was of no importance to provincial towns, while for the countryside it was entirely non existent. In fact power in provincial towns was supplied by various local electric plants whose production mainly covered lighting, seeing that, in addition to the limited time of operation of these small plants, the high price of electric current prohibited other uses.

Therefore, electricity, as a structural factor of Greek economy, played a small role during that period, seeing that it was used basically for lighting and, in the bigger towns, for limited household use, while in the area of Athens it served operation of small industrial units and various handicraft enterprises.

Thus in 1953 consumption of electric energy in the centre amounted to 411 KWH per capita, while the average annual consumption in the provinces amounted only 16 KWH hours per capita.

Since then, the situation changed radically within 13 years. In 1966 net power production totalled 5,448,380,000 KWH, marking an increase of 524% as compared with 1953, while consumption amounted to 4,986,800,000 KWH, increasing by 575% as compared with 1953.

The basic difference, between conditions prevailing in 1953 and the situation by the end of 1966, however, is not only increased production and consumption of electric energy. An important element of conditions shaped by the end of 1966 has certainly been the manner of distributing produced energy. In 1966, prevailing distribution in favour of the centre was changed and, for the first time, the area of the capital consumed 48% of produced energy while 52% covered the requirements of the remaining parts of the country.

This differentiation is due mainly to electrification of extensive areas of the country by the P.P.C. as well as to the creation of modern heavy industry outside the centre.

In fact in the course of the past 13 years the P.P.C. has layed out an ambitious programme of "electrification of the countryside", giving it absolute priority.

This programme, which is being accelerated, includes supplying electricity to villages and settlements while, in parallel, it provides for installation of a grid for purely agricultral purposes. On the strength of this programme, electricity was supplied for the first time to 2,467 villages and settlements both in continental Greece and in the islands, between 1953 and 1966. It should be noted that such electrification is a difficult task in view of irregular nature of the territory on the one hand and on the other hand, owing to the great dispersion of the agrarian population in settlements composed of a few dwellings in remote and inaccessible regions. This extensive operation, however, increased the population supplied with electricity to approximately 72% of the total population by the end of 1966. In parallel, increased consumption has increased average annual consumption per capita from 94 KWH in 1953 to 586 KWH.

This rapid role of development both in production and consumption runs parallel with projects of production, transport and distribution of electric energy.

The basic aim of the P.P.C. until now has been not only to increase production and consumption of electric energy, but to achieve the country's electrification with a view to ensuring complete electric autonomy. To this effect, the P.P.C. turned its creative effort in the direction of the greatest possible development of local energy resources, that is to say rivers and lignite deposits. The task achieved until now is precisely characterized by this effort which is the basis both of the projects under construction and of the new energy programmes under way.

Thus, electric production of the P.P.C. is based for the most part, on hydroelectric and lignite thermoelectric plants and, to a lesser extent on liquid-fueled thermoelectric plants.

Operation of these thermoelectric plants is indispensable, though demanding foreign exchange disbursements for the supply of liquid fuels from abroad. The reason is that development of local energy resources has not been completed as yet. Beyond this, however, the question of using liquid fuel will always arise in supplying electricity to the Greek islands where there are no natural energy resources on the one hand and, on the other hand, their linking with the P.P.C. continental grid, with few exceptions, is technically impossible or anti-economic.

By the end of last year, the P.P.C. system had five hydroelectric plants of an installed power of 591,150 KW, two lignite thermoelectric plants of 400,000 KW and two liquid-fueled thermoelectric plants of 301,000 KW, while in the islands and remote areas of the country, 99 autonomous 92,400 KW local plants were in operation. Thus installed power of P.P.C. power plants last year totalled 1,384,550 KW as compared with 301,000 KW in 1953.

It is expected that development of Greek energy economy, as shown during the above period of thirteen years, will continue in the future. The new management of the P.P.C. under General N.B. Kardamakis, honorary Chief of Staff of the Army and distinguished technician, has given new impetus to the development and modernization of electric energy. In what regards new energy projects three new thermic units of an installed power of 320,000 KW are now under construction. On the other hand, in the area of Kastraki, by Acheloos River, works continue for the installation of a 320,000 KW hydroelectric plant which is the second stage of exploiting Acheloos hydroelectric complex. Out of these two (thermic) units of a total power of 300 MW will operate by the middle of 1968 and in the beginning of 1970 a new 150 MW unit - already ordered - and in the autumn of the same year another 200 MW unit will begin to operate. The hydroelectric plant of Kastraki will operate in 1969.

On the other hand with the construction of new lines of transport and distribution of electric energy it will be possible to further supply large areas of the country-side both in continental Greece and the islands. Particularly in 1967 construction of networks in 1,200 villages and settlements will be completed increasing population supplied with electricity to some 6,200,000 inhabitants, while annual consumption per capita to increase to 750 KWH as compared with 585 KWH in 1966.

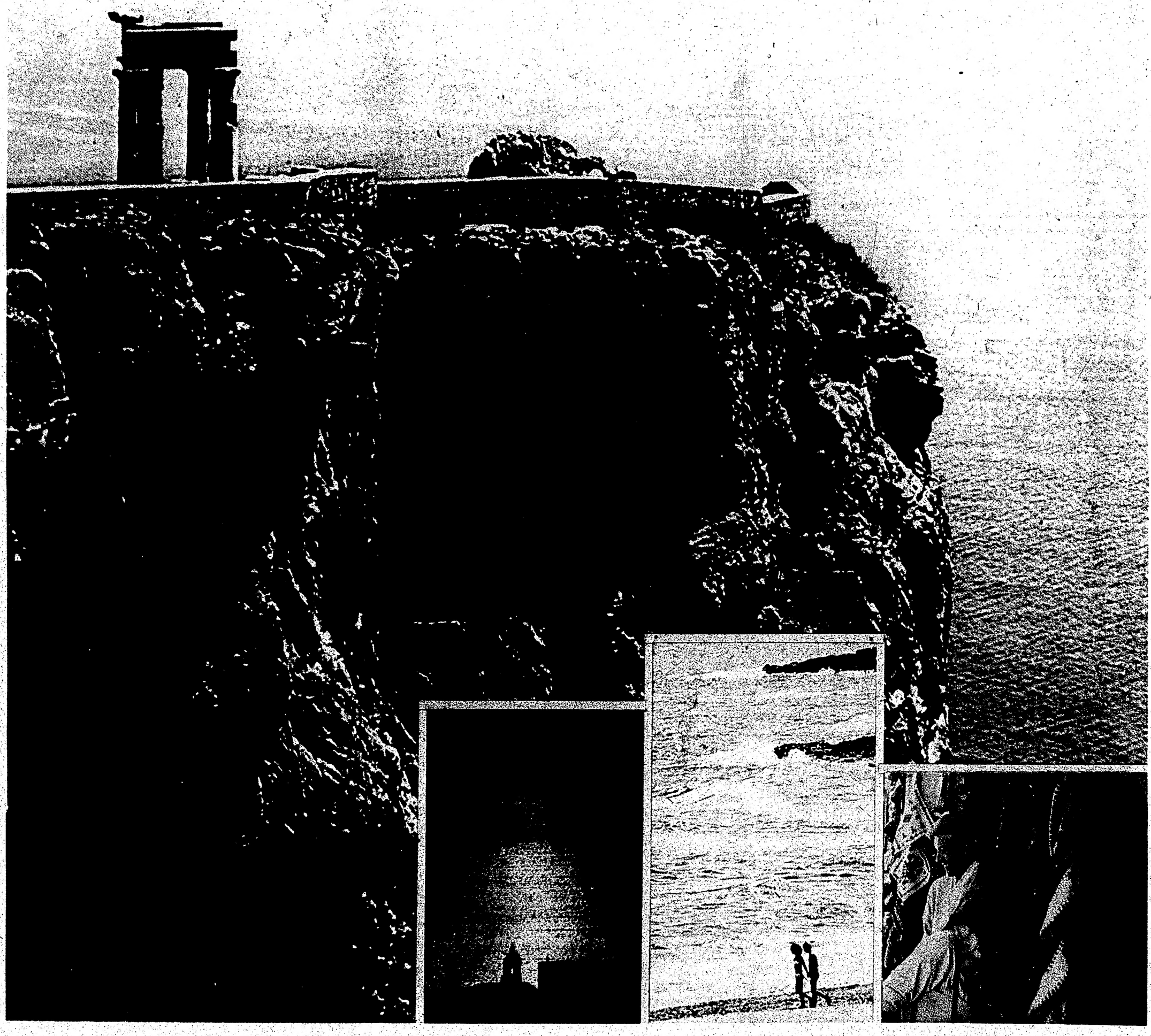
In parallel with the above works under construction, the P.P.C. is studying development of new energy resources within the framework of the country's electrification programme. Thus it has been decided to construct a 250,000 KW lignite thermoelectric plan of an annual average capacity of 1,850,000,000 KWH in the area of Megalopolis, in the Peloponese, using local lignite deposits. Moreover, with a view to exploiting eventually other lignite deposits, the P.P.C. is conducting extensive geological research in the lignite beds of Northern Greece, while, in parallel, it is examining the possibilities of using peat for the production of electric energy out of deposits existing also in Northern Greece.

Implementation of these long-term programmes naturally supposes economic vigor of the Corporation, allowing increased investment.

In 1966, total assets of the P.P.C. amounted to $717,330,000, marking an increase of 15.66% as compared with the previous year while, during the current year, an anticipated increase of 13.17% will bring assets to $812,000,000. The continuous increase of P.P.C. assets is of particular significance if we take into account that the Corporation's own capital covers 48% as compared with 52% covering total long-term loans either from local sources or from the international money market.

Increase of investments of every nature of the P.P.C. is in keeping with the general increase of the P.P.C.'s assets. Total investments in the past year amounted to $103,330,000, out of which investment of $87,400,000 was realized. During the current year the Corporation's investments will amount to $135,000,000, that is to say they are expected to present an increase of 54% as compared with 1966.

The continuous increase of the Corporation's investments and the increasingly higher budgets in general did not influence at all the price of sale of produced energy. On the contrary, the average price of electric current in 1966 dropped to 24.9 $ mills per KWH, as compared with 28.5 mills in 1965 and 28.5 mills in 1964. Moreover by introducing the new privileged rate for heavy industry last year, a still greater decline in the average price of sale of electric energy is expected during the current year. It should be noted that, by introducing these new rates, the cost of electric power in Greece is being aligned with such cost in force in the Countries of the European Economic Community. This is most significant because it is connected not only with the establishment of basic power-consuming productive units but also with compressing production costs and cost of life in general which is one of the basic aims of the National Government.



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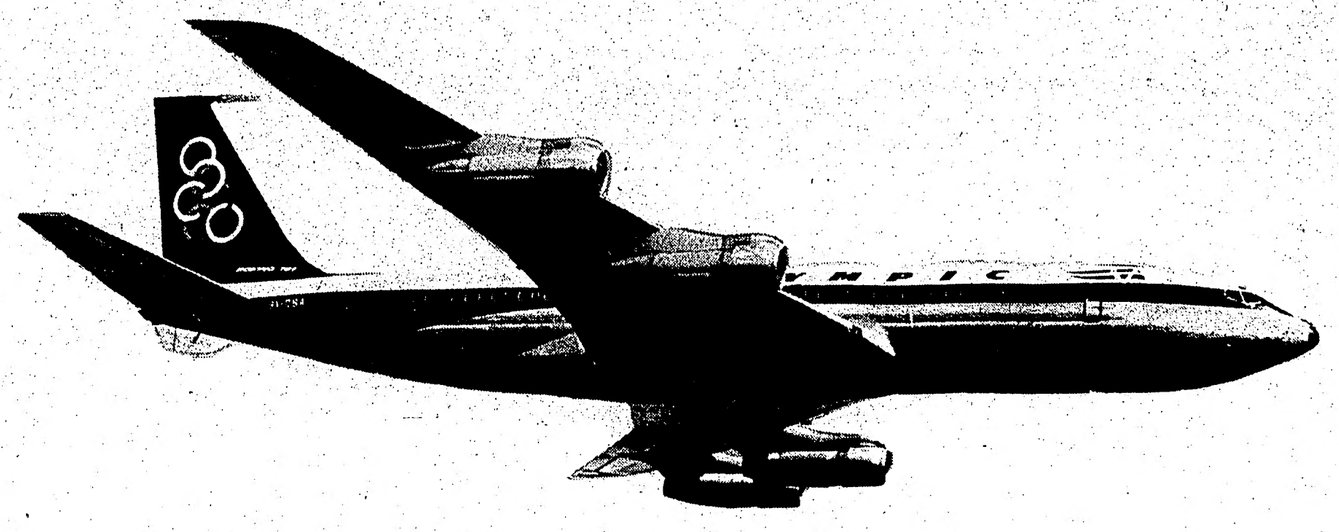

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There are about 85 private large corporations shares and about 45 government and public utilities bonds listed on the Stock Exchange. The total market value of all these securities reached recently the level of 22 billion Drs. On the other hand, the volume of securities transactions in 1967 was about 7 times greater to that registered in 1957.

All bonds and shares traded on the Athens Stock Exchange are anonymous (to the bearer), except for the shares of financial institutions and insurance companies which are registered certificates.

In Greece, the yields of shares and bonds traded on the Stock Exchange are higher to the yields of other investment. These yields range between 6-12% annually, as compared to 5-6 1|2% of interest earned on deposits and 3-4% earned on real estate.

The advantages of securities traded on the Athens Stock Exchange over the other financial investment may be summarised as follows:

a) Income earned on Greek Government bonds, Public Power, and other Corporation bonds are exempted from personal income. Government bonds issued after World War II are also exempted from inheritance tax.

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Three hundred sunny days a year could well justify Greece being called a paradise for tourists. Moreover, the masterpieces of the past in conjunction with the natural beauties, up-to-date tourist equipment, artistic events of international renown, hundreds of picturesque islands, thousands of miles of wonderful beaches and the proverbial Greek hospitality, answer the question

answer the question why Greek tourism continues to progress -- even in 1967, despite the war.

In the following article, our special correspondent in Athens presents the unusually attractive picture of Greek tourism.

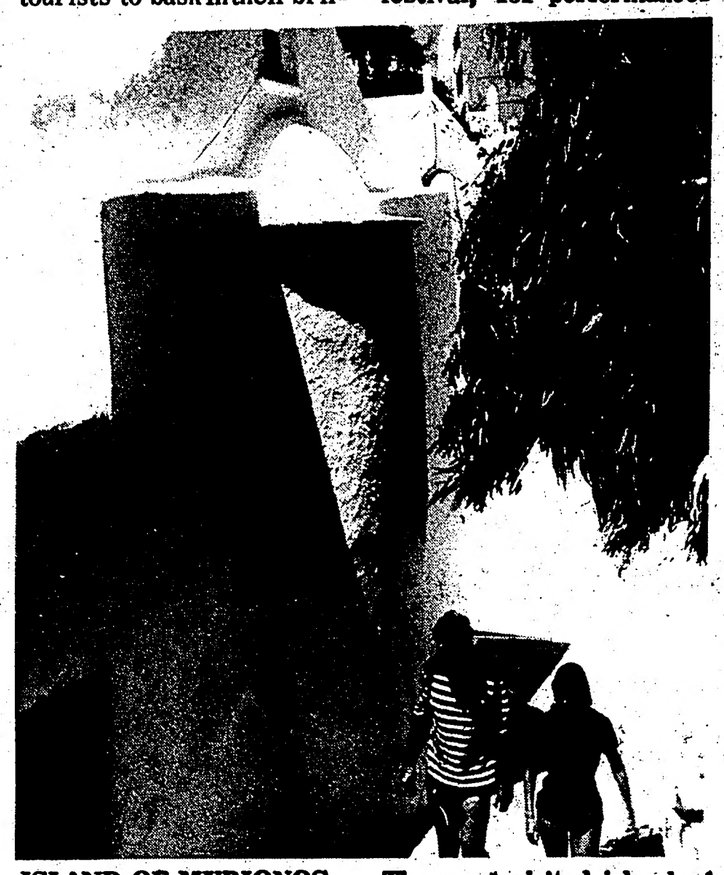
Not only ancient Greece but also contemporary Greece has much to offer visiting tourists. Along with the unique archaeological sites -- the Acropolis, Delphi, Olympia, and so many others -- there is modern Greece: vibrantly alive with her singular customs and ethics, bouzouki popular music, syrtaki dances, and the famous retsina wine.

Athens is the only city in the world where the past blends so exquisitely with the present. During the justly famous Wine Festival held at Daphni by the National Tourist Organization every September, the Dionysian exhiliration of the ancient Greeks lives again.

But it is not only Athens, with its quaint streets of Plaka and its magnificent monuments of the past, that enchants the multitudes of tourists that flock to Greece every year. Among the greatest attractions are the many lovely Greek islands, of which few excell the dazzingly white Mykonos. Not only Peter the Pelican, the windmills, the colourful handwoven bags and other textiles, but the entire island has become a symbol of cosmopolitan tourism. In the tidy narrow streets, one hears the rhythmic clicking of looms --- the heartbeat of the island. In truth, the loom is the heart of Mykonos. In the old days, it produced the widely-renowned bridal trousseaus whose textures and patterns embodied the secret hopes of the island's young girls.

Today the looms of Mykonos click for the tourist who, after revelling in the sun and the sea, wants, as a remembrance of his blissful Mediterranean sojourn, a skillfully handwoven bag, skirt, sweater, characteristically emblazoned with a great variety of designs and all the colours of the spectrum.

But Mykonos has many sister islands equally full of charm. Corfu, Rhodes, Hydra, Skiathos, and Crete --- each in her own distinctive way --- entice thousands of tourists to bask in their brilliant sunshine and bathe in their azure sea.



ISLAND OF MYRIONOS. — The most visited island of the Aegean Sea — Yehudi Menuhin has a summer home here.

Summer normally ends in September, but in Greece it lasts until November; while autumn verges on winter in Europe and America, summer lingers in Greece. The balmy days of October have nothing to envy of July or August --- the same caressingly warm blue sea sparkles under the dazzling sunshine. Such is the phenomenom of the Greek "Indian summer"; and with the flood of tourists subsiding it, it offers the perfect opportunity for touring the picturesque Greek islands with the leisure to admire the incomparable panorama.

The Athens summer festival is one of the most lauded artistic events in the world. The greatest artistic companies and the most famous artists of the age have appeared at the Herod Atticus Theater, under the shadow of the Parthenon. Last year the festival was extended to two new sites: the Stoa of Attalos in the ancient Agora, and the hill of Lycabettus, which offers a breathtaking panoramic view of Athens. During the course of this year's festival, 131 performances were given: 57 at the Herod Atticus Theater, 40 at the Stoa of Attalos, and 34 at Lycabettus. Sixteen companies have appeared at the Herod Atticus Theater, out of which nine were Greek and seven were foreign; the program comprised ten operas, nine concerts, four oratories, fourteen ancient tragedies, eleven Attic comedies, and seven ballet performances.

At Lycabettus theater, performances were given by seven companies, out of which four were Greek and three were foreign. Twenty-five dramatic performances were given, in addition to four musical, two ballet, and two opera presentations. At the Stoa of Attalos, concurrently, fourteen orchestras have appeared (ten Greek and four from abroad). Among the luminaries of the 1967 festival were Karl Orff, the Ballet and Opera of Stuttgart, the American pianist Van Cliburn, the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra (under the Indian conductor Zuben Mehta), the pianist Andre Watts, the cellist Dmitri Markevic, the Italian sextet "Luca Marenzio", the Fine Arts Trio of New York, the Chamber Orchestra of Milan, ad infinitum. Also for the first time last year, the Athens Festival presented a program of jazz music. This innovation was inaugurated by the saxophonist of international fame, Stan Getz, at the Lycabettus theater on July 10.

Greek participants in the 1967 Athens Festival were the National Theater, the Art Theater of Charles Koun, the Piraeus theater of Dimitri Rondiris, etc.

In addition to the Athens Festival, another important artistic event takes place at Epidauros where, in the ancient theater, the tragedies of Aeschyles, Sophocles, and Euripides, are brought to life once more.

Every summer, the National Greek Theater offers an arresting spectacle and a moving emotional experience while presenting the most prefect ancient drama existing in the world today.

Similarly, on the hill of Philopappos, from May to October, Dora Stratou and her company present a program of popular dances and folk songs from all over Greece, illustrating, through costume and movement, the basic link between ancient and modern cultures. In the Greek popular costume, the experienced observer can distinguish the pattern which the modern Greek artisan has preserved from his classical predecessors.

The wonderful climate, the natural and man-made beauties of the country, the increasing means offered by Greece to tourists for comfortable and enjoyable vacations, and, above all, the classic and unbeatable Greek hospitality, create the irresistable attraction that has turned the tourist wave overwhelmingly toward the shores of Hellas. Undeniable proof of this is to be found in the statistical data of recent years. In 1962, 541,470 independent tourists (in addition to those on cruises) visited Greece. In 1963, the number of tourists climbed to 672,920; in 1964, to around 675,000; in 1965, to 846,974; and last year, a record-breaking 997,928 vacationed in the country, with another 134,102 people anticipated on cruises. Apart from ordinary tourists, many international V.I.P.'s --- millionnaires, cinema stars, playboys -- abandoned the international summer resorts and have chosen the Aegean for their summer vacations. Brigitte Bardot and Gunther Sachs, Yul Brynner, Mel Ferrer, Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward, Orson Welles and others were some of the brilliant stars in the international artistic galaxy that spent their vacations in the Greek islands in the summer of 1967. Also, among those who took a cruise in the Aegean during the summer period of 1967 were the American millionnaire Henry Ford, the uncle of the glamorous Ira, Prince Furstenberg, Prince and Princess Romanov etc.

Within barely three years, Greece tripled tourist exchange collected and, according to the findings of the 37th ASTA Congress held in Athens in October, tourist exchange will be increased considerably in the coming years.

ACROPOLIS OF ATHENS. — The Propylae.

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Of course, together with the tourist wave, the country's requirements have increased. To face these increased requirements, 132 new hotels of every type will operate in 1968, including 5 "Xenia"-type hotels, 6 bungalow complexes, 8 motels and 4 hostels. Since the beginning of 1957, a total of 2170 hotels with 45,446 rooms and 93,000 beds have been in operation.

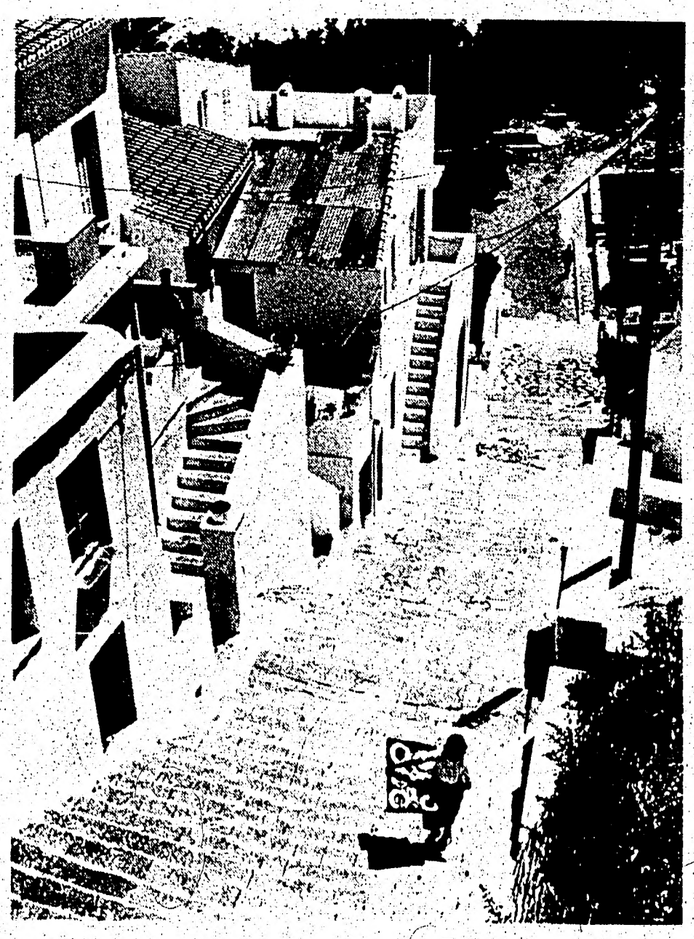
It is estimated, however, that within the first quarter of 1968, Greek hotels of all categories will have more than 100,000 beds available. Also, the Greek Tourist Organization will develop various tourist areas of the country to face the tourist wave which is expected to flood Greece during the coming summer period. These areas are Nicopolis, Killini, Aghios Apostolos, Akronauplia, Corfu Fort, Epanomi, Varkiza etc.

For those sailing in Greek waters, there operate, or are under construction, all types of facilities, special harbours for yachts and refuelling stations. At present, 83 refuelling stations are in operation and new up-to-date harbours for yachts will be constructed. It is estimated that, by the end of 1969, we shall have harbours capable of accommodating 1,200 craft and up-to-date installations for docking and repairing yachts.

It is characteristic of the turn of the tourist wave towards Greece that proposals for tourist investments totalling 615 million dollars have been submitted during the last 10 months to the Greek Tourist Organization, including offers by Panamerican Airways for 10 million dollars, by International Investment Incorporated for 12 million dollars, by Mr. John Alexiou for 16 million dollars, by the National Real Estate Bank, representing foreign investors, for 185 million dollars, by Mr. John Theodorakopoulos for 2 million dollars, by Token Construction Group for 50 million dollars, by Mayfiar Engineering and Electronics for 15 million dollars, by Token Construction Ltd. for 65 million dollars, by the Anglo-American group Van Dee for 10 million dollars, by Mr. A. G. Levendis, representing foreign investors, for 100 million dollars and by the International Travel Organization for 50 million dollars.

The above proposals cover tourist development of various areas of Greece, building hotels, harbours, tourist accommodation and other basic infrastructure projects.

A tourist fervour has begun in every corner of Greece. Very shortly, Greece will become one of the greatest international tourist centres. The bright sun and the azure sea with its countless picturesque islands will be the magnets that will win in the next international tourist contest.



ISLAND OF ANDROS. — Aegean Sea.

Athens Wine Festival Beauty Contest: (left) "Miss Tourist", (right) "Miss Mini-skirt."

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HISTORY AND PRESENT

THE JEWS OF GREECE

by Joseph Lovinger, President of the Central Jewish Council

The presence of Jews in Greece dates back 2,000 years. Since the period B.C.E. all Jews lived in small towns organized into communities. When Paul came to Greece, he visited the Synagogue of Salonica and spoke to the Jews. In the cemetery of Chalkis, 90 kilometers from Athens, monuments more than a thousand years old still are preserved.

During the persecutions of Jews in Spain in the 15th century, Greece, then enslaved by Turks, readily received the fugitive Spanish Jews who, for the most part, established themselves in Salonica and created a community which became the center of Sefardim, with its admirable institutions not only reigned over Greek Jewry but was recognized all over Europe as one of the main communities and, unquestionably, as Mother of Sefardic Judaism.

A.Z. KIS, Olympic Airway area manager, Israel and Asia.

At the beginning of this century, Jewry of Greece numbered more than 100,000. When the Second World War broke out, there were some 80,000 Jews grouped in twenty-five communities in continental and insular Greece, headed by the community of Salonica which numbered 56,000 persons.

During World War II, Greek Jewry gave its fatal response to the Nazi roll call at the crematoria. Ninenty percent of the Jewish population of the country, together with our brothers from other European centers, were among the six million victims of this ferocity unprecedented in history.

At this point the question certainly will arise: how did the Greek people behave towards the Jews during the Second World War? Did they help the conquerers exterminate the Jews, were they indifferent to their fate or did they give a helping hand to the Jews? Before history we must state that the attitude of the then enslaved Greek people was similar to that of the Danes: complete aid whenever possible even with danger to their own lives. The then King of the Greeks, with all the royal family, was in exile. But, I am sure, if the late King George II had been in Greece he would have done the same as the late King of Denmark ,grandfather of the present Queen of Greece.

The protection of Jews was assumed by the late Archbishop of the Orthodox Church of Greece, Mgr. Damaskinos, who, when the first measures against the Jews of Salonica (where one-third of the total population was Jewish) began, sent a historic document to the Prime Minister, dated March 23, 1943, which, for mankind, shall remain forever a luminous example of a truly religious leader's behavior.

It was signed by all the representatives of the Greek people: the presidents of the Academy and of the Associations of Physicians, Lawyers and Chemists; of Commerce, Industry and Technical Chambers; of the Association of Industrialists of the Union of Journalists; of the Societies of Greek Writers; theatrical and musical critics; the rectors of the University of Athens; of the Poly technic School; of the Higher School of Commercial Science; etc.

The list would be far too long should mention be made of all who, with their signature after that of Archbishop Damaskinos, protested in favor of their Jewish brothers and exposed themselves to deadly Nazi danger.

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Thus was Greek Jewry linked with the remaining population and thus continued our relations after the war.

Without wishing to embark upon a political discussion, I believe I should inform world Jewry in reply to a probable, eventual query: "We see that until now Jewry of Greece was considered an equal member without any distinction. What is the present position of Jews in Greece after the military revolution?"

My replay is very simple: "There has been no change. As in the past, we Jews have the same right and obligations as have our Christian compatriots; as in the past there now is no obstacle in the religious, educational, philanthropic activities of the Jewish communities. Also there is no obstacle in the functioning of B'nai B'rith, the Zionistic League, in the celebration of Yom Atzmouth, and so on. This year Yom Atzmouth was celebrated like every year, in spite of the fact that the revolution did not have even one month's existence and there were still certain general restrictions. There was no restriction for the celebration in question."

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The present number of Greek Jews amounts to approximately five thousand persons. There are organized communities in twelve towns. The community of Athens comes first from the point of

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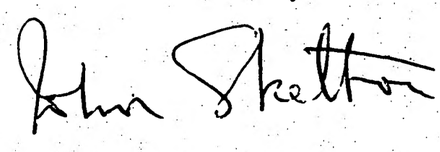

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A feature is the continuation flights to Tel Aviv, connecting Comet 4B jet flights that cover such key cities as London, Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Zurich, Istanbul and Beirut.

Olympic sales offices are located in twenty-two cities in North America, including Canada and Mexico; 28 in Europe; 4 in South America; 5 in Africa; 14 in Asia and the Middle East; 3 in Australia and New Zealand. Offices or representatives are in more than eighty Greek cities and the domestic islands. Ground and flying personnel total 3,300 of whom 1,000 are airborne or technical staff and 700 are stationed outside Greece.

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Olympic is steadily expanding its domestic and international services including extra flights for the summer months.

Internationally an order for a fourth Boeing 707-320 fanjet has been placed, with delivery scheduled early this year. New European destinations are being considered, such as Brussels and Vienna, as well as an extention of the routes to Johannesburg with intermediate stops in Africa.

Olympic Airways' concession to operate as the national Greek carrier recently has been extended for a second 20-year period running to 2006.

CHALKIS: UNUSUAL COMMUNITY

by Menasseh Z. Cohen

The town of Chalkis lies northwest of Athens, approximately one hour and fifteen minutes by car or train. It is built right at the straits of Euripus and many people call it the "Numph of the Eubean Gulf." It is a very old town known from the history of ancient Greece and is reputed for its sea current which changes direction from north to south every six hours. It lies on the island of Eubea and is separated from central Greece by the straits of Euripus over which a draw bridge has been built. Its population numbers some 40,000 inhabitants and it presents rapid industrial development owing to the proximity of Athens.

A small distance from the bridge and in the middle of the short Kotsou Street is synagogue. Only a few years ago it was the heart of the ancient Jewish quarter. The narrow Turkish streets around the synagogue at one time was full of Jewish families and merry children and, like swarms of bees, their voices filled the air with ringing cries. The men sported "vrakes" or floor length shirts and on their heads wore a mantilla which they never removed. If the young men wanted to have a glimpse of a feminine leg, they had to wait until Friday afternoon when the women scrubbed their homes and courtyards and lifted their skirts slightly so as not to get them wet

The rabbis, native born, were learned, wise and serious men well suited to guide their congregations in the religion of their forefathers.

But today in Chalkis the Jewish community is scattered in various parts of the town and families live in widely separated, privately owned or rented houses. The "Hebraika" or Jewish quarter exists no more; only the narrow streets remain and even there few Jews are to be found.

I have searched through many books trying to trace the beginnings of the Jewish community in Chalkis which is officially referred to as "Egripon" or "Hegroponte."

So far as I know, the first person to write a concise summary of the history of the Jewish community of Chalkis was the late Chalkidian man of letters, Bohor Fornis, in the Jewish Review published in Athens in 1912. He wrote that, according to tradition, Jews lived in Chalkis either since the beginning of the first century C.E. or since coming to Greece with the returning armies of Alexander the Great, without presenting the actual historical data to support these traditional claims.

Another tradition relates that the early Jews of Chalkis extracted a reddish purple dye from a certain kind of indigenous seashell destined for royal garments which they exported in the eastern Mediterranean.

It is established, however, that Jews lived in Chalkis at least since 200 B.C., as evidenced by a letter from Philon, the Jew of Alexandria, to Gaius of Rome, referring to the existence of a Jewish colony in Eubea. This is the earliest historic document which denotes our community as the oldest in Europe with a continuous history since then. It never has ceased to exist, unlike any community in Europe, save perhaps Rome. Thus the Jews are considered the most genuine inhabitants of Chalkis as compared with the Christians who, at times, were removed by the various conquerors of the town.

The Jews of Chalkis do not originate from Spain and none speaks Spanish.

Chalkis once was rich, had many wise rabbis and physicians, was a literary center and until the last century was calles "Chuck Safed" (small Safed) after the well known town in Israel where the law was studied, the caballa thrived and religion was observed.

The peace loving Jews of Chalkis amassed great riches from trade and the silk industry in the days of the Byzantine state. During the occupation of the town by the Venetians and later by the Turks, the Jews lived in the center of the town with their masters. This seemed a privilige at first but, when examining official Frankish Venetian or Turkish documents, one notes there were other reasons for it. A characteristic clause: "The expenses for this project shall be collected from the Jews by special taxation, contribution or compulsory law."

This alone shows the moral constraint to which Jews were subjected, being confined in the center of the town in order to make more money for their masters.

In 1303 the Jews had to pay a tax to cover the cost of separating the Venetian from the Lombardic section of the town. In 1340 taxation of Jews in Chalkis was increased from 100 to 200 ducats a year. In 1355 the Jews were allowed to stay inside the Castle and for their safety paid 600 Byzantine gold coins to the Church fund or to the state. In 1402 sale of property to Jews was forbidden. in 1410 taxation increased from 500 to 1,000 Byzantine gold coins a year. In 1414, in view of the poverty of coins a year. These examples show how the Jews suffered under their masters.

The rich library of the community contained valuable manuscripts and documents of great historical importance which unfortunately perished when the synagogue was burned down by some fanatical Christians on a Good Friday. Only the Seraphim of Torah were saved. Hebrew poems written in Greek or Turkish characters were burned and only a few copies remain today. On the enclosure wall of the synagogue are many slabs with Hebrew inscriptions. There are some on the walls of the synagogue itself, which are tombstones removed from the Jewish cemetery found when the Castle of Chalkis was demolished in 1890. The only slab not a tombstone is that above the entrance of synagogue commemorating the inauguration of the new synagogue erected on the same foundation in 1849.

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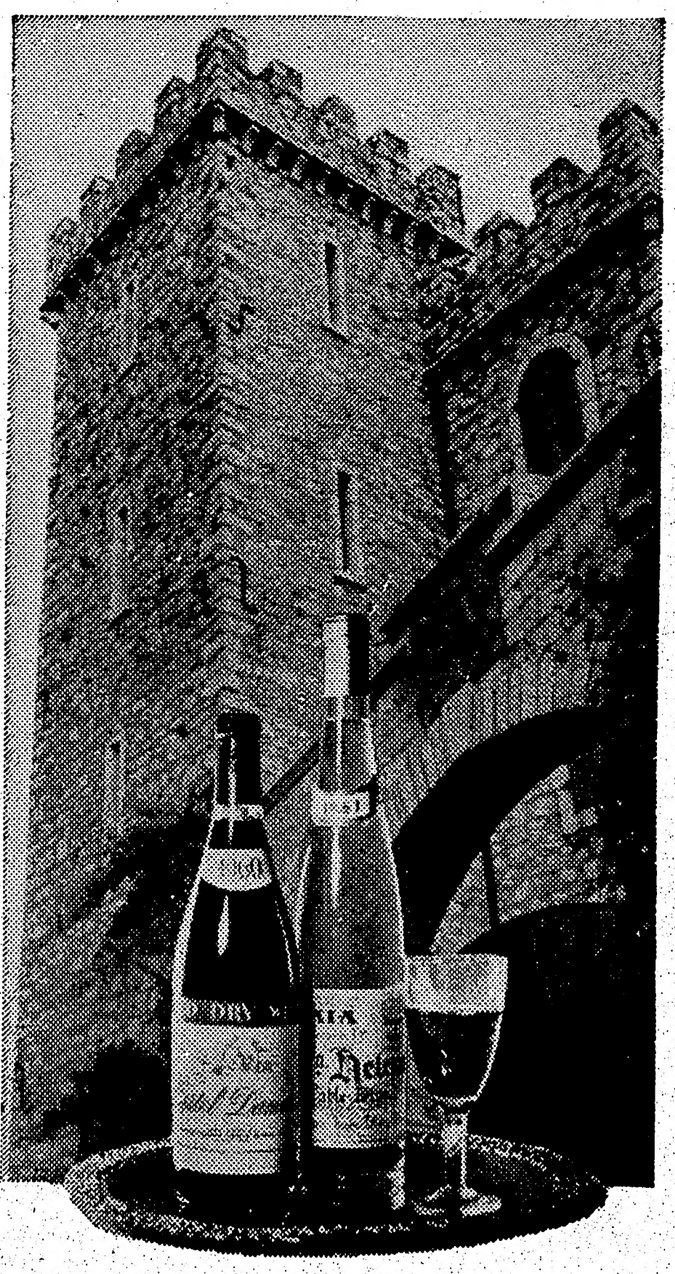
Author Menasseh Z. Cohen was born in Chalkis in 1925. Living in Athens, he studied at a commercial school and after the Second World War graduated from a Greek Commercial school. He is self-taught in Hebrew, history and religion. He has been acting rabbi for the Jewish community of Chalkis for the past twenty-two years and has upheld a high standard of religious life. His hobbies are journalism, poetry and the fine arts. He runs with his father a retail grain shop.

Mr. Cohen has assumed the responsibilities of the Jewish community, such as making it self-supporting by maintaining its historic cemetery, the synagogue (which functions regularly on Saturdays and holydays), aid to the poor and Jewish education for the children.

Cohen speaks Hebrew, English and French as well as his native Greek. He is married and the father of a boy and girl.



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The Greek people were informed these days with justified surprise and pain that the German occupation authorities began to apply in Salonica the measure of gradual deportation of the Greek Jewish element outside the borders of the country and that the first group of deportees were already on their way to Poland. The sorrow of the Greek people has been all the more profound, for:

• According to the spirit of the Armistice terms, all Greek citizens would meet with the same treatment by the occupation authorities regardless of race and religion.

• Greek Jews have proven not only valuable contributors in the country's economic achievements but generally have shown respect for law and order and complete understanding of their duties as Greeks. Thus they have participated in the common sacrifices for the Greek fatherland and have been in the forefront during the struggles which the Greek nation has carried out defending its historic rights.

• Respect for law and order of the Jewish element in Greece excludes in advance any charge of involvment in actions capable of threatening even in the least the securing of the military authorities of occupation.

• Before national conscience the children of Mother Greece stand inseparably united as equal members of the National Organism regardless of any religious or dogmatic difference.

• Our sacred religion recognized no distinction, superiority or diminution based on race or religion ruling that "there is no Jew or Greek" (Gal. C28), thus condemning any tendency to create any distinction or racial or religious difference.

• Joint fortunes in days of glory and in periods of national misfortunes have forged on the anvil of Greek galanntry indestructible links among all Greek citizens without exception to whichever race they may belong.

Today we are interested exclusively in and very anxious about the fate of our 60,000 Jewish fellow citizens whom we have known during the long coexistence in slavery and freedom and with whose nobility of feelings, brotherly disposition, progressive ideas, economic activity and, above all, unquestionable patriotism we have long been familiar. To this patriotism bears witness the great number of victims which the Greek Jews have offered unstintingly and without hesitation to the altar of duty to the country in danger.

Mr. President, we are sure that the Government also feels and thinks in the same way as all the other Greeks in these connections. Moreover, we believe that you will already have taken the necessary steps with the occupation authorities to suspend the painful and pointless measure of deporting the Jewish element in Greece.

Moreover, we note that, to the above measure, the remaining Greek people would be ready, if asked, to add unhesitatingly their entire guarantee in favor of their suffering bothers.

However, in spite of all hope, they should insist unbendingly on the policy of deportation, we think the Government, as agent of the remaining political power in the land, take a clear position towards events. For we believe that no one has the right to forget that all the actions of this difficult period, even those beyond our will and power, shall be investigated one day by the nation for historic responsibility. At the moment of judgement the side of moral responsibility shall weigh heavily in the conscience of the nation, a responsibility which the rulers are shouldering even for the actions of the powerful if they have omitted to manifest by a gallant and noble gesture the fully justified and unanimous protest of the nation against an action smiting national unity and pride severely like the deportation of Greek Jews which has begun.

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REMEMBERING THE DEAD, BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE. — Each year the Greek Jews commemorate the victims of Nazi extermination. During World War II, eighty percent of Greek Jews were deported and killed in the Nazi camps. This is a picture of the last memorial ceremony at Athen's Jewish cemetery.

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by Minos Levis
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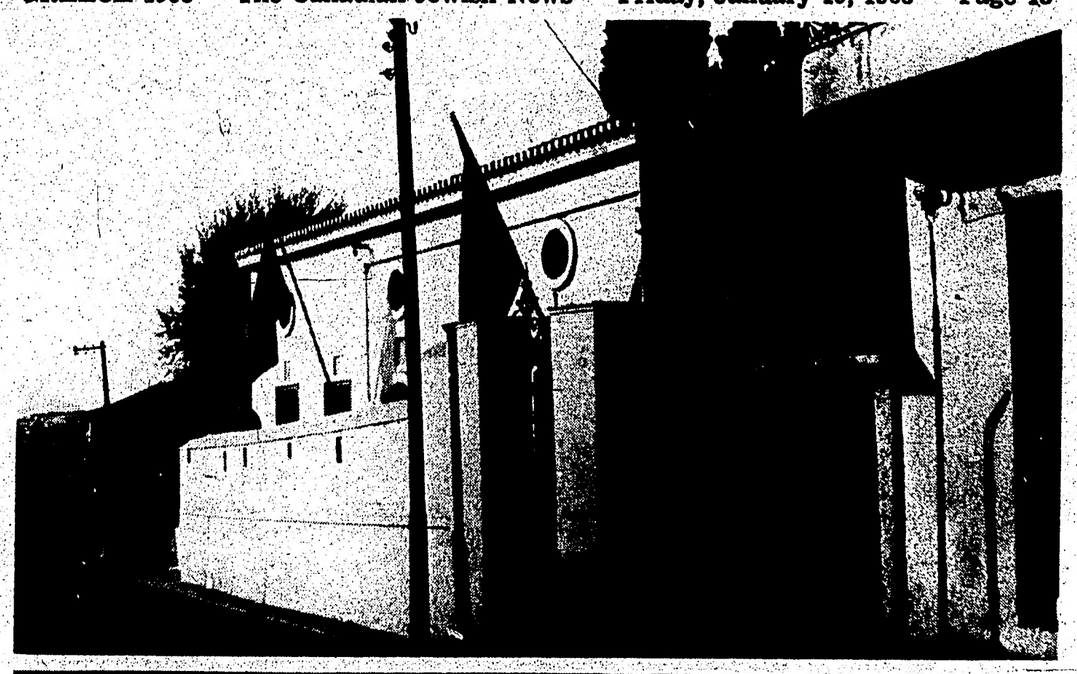

THE ANCIENT JEWISH COMMUNITY OF CHALKIS. — From top to bottom, the exterior of the beautiful synagogue; center, the Holy Ark; bottom, the ancient cemetery partially destroyed by the Nazis.

CHALKIS: UNUSUAL COMMUNITY

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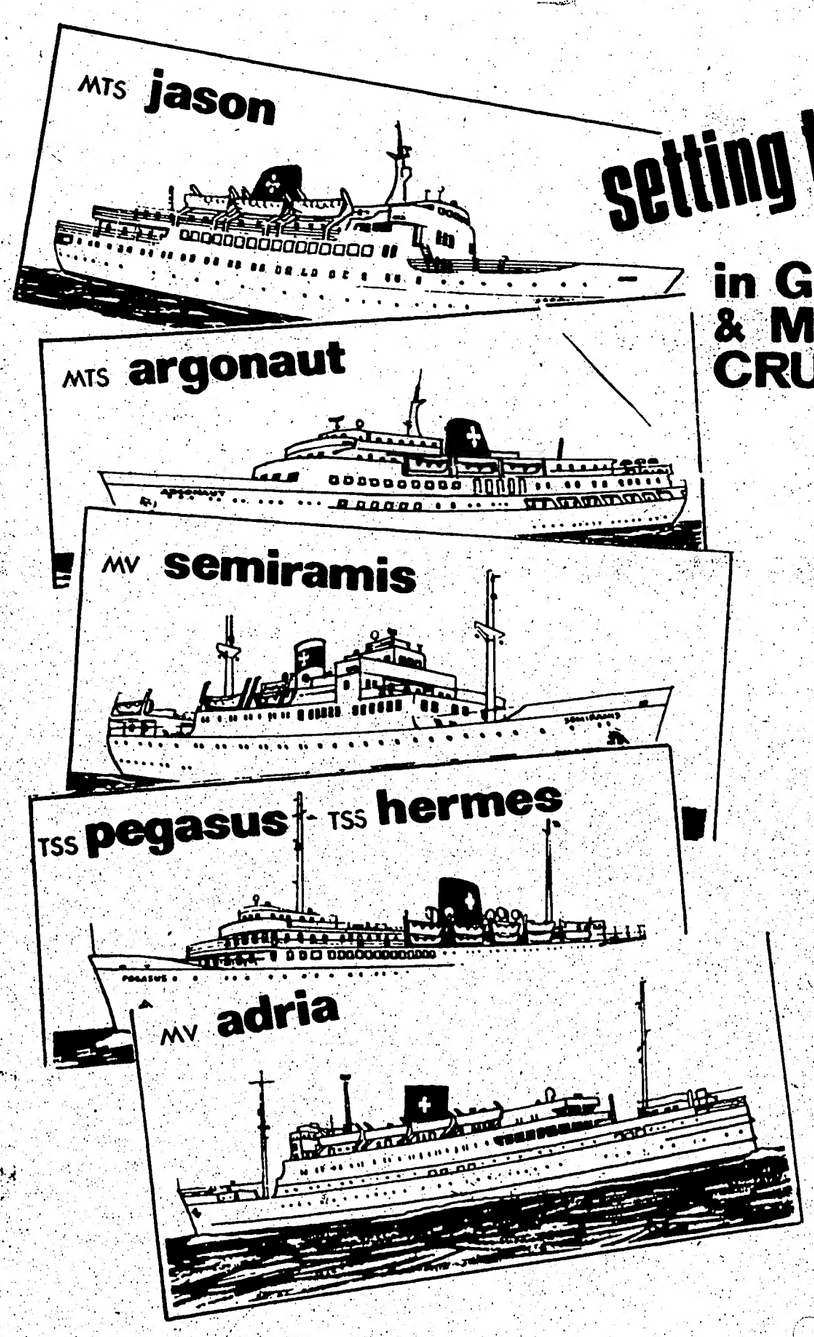
The community's cemetery is ancient and very large, containing 1200-year-old graves. It was open until 1897. Then Ferdinand Rothschild visited Chalkis and donated a large sum to build a wall around it. But this year it has been possible to repair finally part of the wall which had crumbled, allowing desecration of the tombs of our forefathers. After many efforts, the Jewish community managed to secure some money though it still is unable to complete the task for lack of funds.

The name of Ferdinand Rothschild is inscribed in gold letters in the marble column of the community's benefactors inside the synagogue. Every year it is invoked on the evening of Yom Kippur after Kol Nidre.

Relationship of the Jews of Chalkis with their compatriots always have been good, friendly and absolutely harmonious. The Jews of Chalkis took part in all the wars of Greece and, in the Second World War, the first senior Greek officer who fell defending the motherland was the Jewish Colonel, Mordecai Frizis of Chalkis. During the German occupation Jews suffered terribly but, thanks to the brotherly protection of the Chalkidians and Eubeans, there were few victims. We should note particularly the contribution of Mgr. Gregorios in saving Jews and protecting the synagogue.

The Jews of Chalkis are proud both of their attachement to the religion of their forefathers and of their Greek citizenship. Today they total one hundred individuals composed Jews, taxation was reduced from 1,000 to 200 gold of thirty-two families and are continuing a history and tradition under the religious leadership of the writer. Manifestation of some particular interest would aid the noble task performed by the Jewish community of Chalkis throughout the centuries.



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TRADE BALANCE

by a financial correspondent

Last year, 1967, Greece has achieved the first time an important reduction of her trade balance deficit.

Official statistical data for the first nine months of 1967 show a reduction of this deficit by 21.5 million dollars, contrary to the corresponding period in 1966, when the deficit had increased by 57.7 million dollars.

This phenomenon is due mainly to the increase of Greek exports, which is one of the basic aims of Greek economic policy. Another reason is the fact that there has been only a small increase of imports, part of which has been covered by local industry. This fact shows that Greek industry is developing and that measures taken in its favour are bearing fruits, within the framework of the upward trend of the country's economy. A detailed analysis of the Greek trade balance follows.

Greece has been free for only 150 years. Since 1828, when the new Greek state was created, it had to wage war to free and annex the areas which constitute its present geographic limits.

As a result of five centuries of Turkish domination it was natural that Greek economy should present all the characteristics of a closed feudal economy while continuous war preparations absorbed all economic dynamism of the free Greek areas.

areas.

Under these circumstances, Greek economy remained purely agricultural. Today, nearly 55% of the total population is engaged exclusively in agriculture, products are still traditional and agricultural production, cattle breeding, forestry and fishing are absorbed by and, in some cases, fall short of the requirements of the home market.

Greek economy, being unable to cover the requirements of local consumption, could not achieve industrialisation which would allow overproduction so that agricultural surpluses might promote exports to the same extent as imports.

Consequently, the trade balance has always presented a deficit, seeing that export margins for agricultural production -- the main Greek production -- were limited. This fact determines the relation between imports and exports which is three to one. Greek export trade depends on agricultural products, while the proportion of industrial products in total exports was 11.5% in 1966.

Greek agricultural exports cover a small percentage of total imports in the main foreign markets. Thus, tobacco, Greece's number one agricultural product, covers barely 10% of total tobacco imports in the countries of the European Economic Community. As regards the remaining agricultural products, the percentage is impressively lower.

Therefore, imports of consumer and other goods on a large scale are a basic requirement to cover the needs of the population, while importing capital goods, especially during the present period of Greece's economic development, increases still further the deficit of the trade balance which presents the following picture in the ten years from 1957 to 1967 (in thousands of dollars):

YEAR	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
1957	475,065	222,858
1958	491,510	242,801
1959	454,845	212,541
1960	497,090	208,559
1961	561,192	234,332
1962	608,532	242,603
1963	708,382	295,933
1964	831,292	308,449
1965	978,715	330,883
1966	1,103,536	403,487
1967 (Jan.-Aug.)	725,839	260,937

THE INCREASE OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

An upward trend in imports is seen in the item of foodstuffs which doubled within ten years increasing from 92,265 thousand dollars in 1957 to 180,862 thousand dollars in 1966. Similarly, within the same period, there is an increase in the items: raw materials from 128,363 to 241,590, fuels-lubricants from 60,200 to 77,299, capital goods from 52,950 to 249,308 industrial consumer goods from 129,565 to 341,709 and miscellaneous from 11,722 to 12,768.

On the strength of these data it may be said that the dietary standards of the Greek people improved considerably within the decade of 1957-1966. Processing of raw materials has also increased, showing a corresponding increase in industrial production.

It is particularly noteworthy that the items of fuels-lubricants has remained stable. This is due to the establishment of two oil refineries -- one state-owned and the other belonging to Esso-Pappas -- which stress the importance in foreign exchange for the country of productive investments, whether involving local capital as in the case of the Esso-Pappas refinery.

Imports of capital goods within the last ten years increased nearly fivefold, rising from 52,950 thousands of dollars to 249,308 thousands of dollars. This clearly shows the efforts made for the country's industrialization. During this same period, equipment worth 5.9 million dollars was imported for the nitrogen factory and 32 million dollars for the P.P.C. hydroelectric project at Acheloos.

Exports have also followed an upward trend. Of course, the rapid rate of increase succeeding the readjustment of the drachma in 1953 lessened during the years 1957-1967.

Exports of foodstuffs and beverages have doubled, from 62,412 to 133,433 thousands of dollars. Similarly, exports of raw materials and semiprocessed products have increased from 31,967 to 26,973 million dollars. Of particular significance is the increase of exported industrial and handicraft products, which climbed from 7,234 in 1957 to 46,471 thousands of dollars in 1966. This stresses once more the work done in the field of industrialization. It is characteristic that in 1966 Greece exported oil products worth 2.8 million dollars while foreign exchange collected from aluminum exports during the first six months of 1967 amounted to 11.5 million dollars.

Trade relations between Greece and Canada are not very significant at present. The following table gives a picture of imports and exports in thousands of dollars (U.S.):

YEAR	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
1965	3,350	835
1966	5,381	1,000
1967 (Jan.-Aug.)	2,019	1,115

It is certain that all the prerequisites exist for the development of more extensive trade relations between Canada and Greece, with the aim of fully covering the balance of payments of the two countries and, moreover, of correcting the present trade deficit of Greece.

Greece's trade balance deficit for the current year is expected to be less than that of 1966. The anticipated increase of exports, amounting to approximately 18%, will contribute considerably to this reduction.

According to the latest data of the Bank of Greece, already Greek exports from January to September, 1967, amounted to 292.3 million dollars as compared with 258.6 million dollars during the corresponding period in 1966. Thus exports have increased by 33.7 million dollars, or 13%. This increase is attributed primarily to the rapid rate of exportation of industrial products. In fact, such exports from January to June of 1967 represent 17.1% of total exports as against 10.1% during the corresponding period in 1966.

On the other hand, the deficit in the balance of trade in 1967 amounted to 11,087.2 million drachmas, as against 12,267.7 million drachmas in 1966. Thus there has been a decrease of 1,180.6 million drachmas*, or 9.6%

* 1 U.S. dollar equals 30 drachmas.

The Greek government, being fully conscious of the necessity of increasing exports, is taking all the necessary measures that will contribute in improving, increasing, and standardizing Greek production, as well as differentiating it, so that Greek products may be offered in the world market at competitive prices. The same attention is paid to industrial and handicraft products as well so that they might achieve the greatest ratio of exports.

An intensive effort is also being made to achieve production of new types and varieties of agricultural products adapted to the demands of the world market and offered at competitive prices.

As regards imports, Greece's policy is based on the principle of free trade and fulfilling her international obligations, with the profound conviction that foreign associates will show the necessary spirit of understanding, cooperation, and good faith.

It is imperative to use all available means in order to achieve basic readjustments and agricultural diversification, in order to increase Greek productivity in general and obtain differentiation of the nature of the Greek economy, allowing the country to conclude international trade agreements, which will contribute to covering the deficit in the trade balance of Greece.

His Excellency, George Papadimitracopoulos, Minister of Commerce.

HEADS AIRWAYS OPERATION. — Chris Marcopoulos, who is general manager, Western Hemisphere, Olympic Airways.

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OLYMPIC'S FOUNDER. — Aristotle S. Onassis, who is responsible for the birth of Olympic Airways when, in 1957, he signed a contract with the government to provide domestic and international air services for Greece. Onassis, who keeps a model of the latest Boeing 707-320 super fan jet in his New York office, gets daily operational reports on Olympic whether he is in the United States, Greece or aboard his yacht, the Christina.

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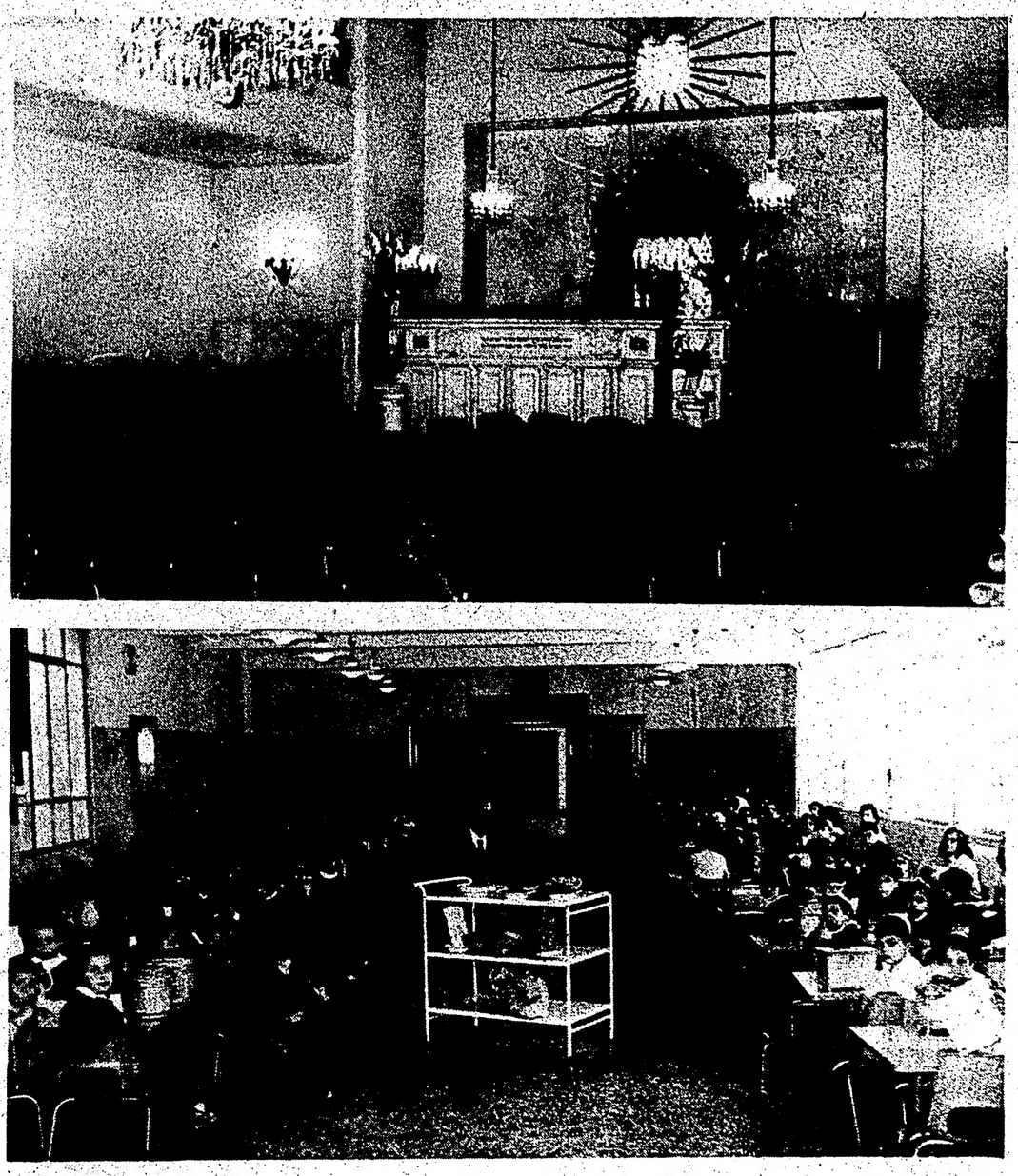

ATHENS, CENTER OF A VIBRANT JEWISH COMMUNITY. — Top: Bimah in the beautiful Athens Central Synagogue; bottom: dining room at the Hebrew Day School.

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THE JEWS OF GREECE

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view of numbers, followed by Salonica, Larissa, Volos, etc.

Synagogues are in every town where Jews live, with day schools in Athens and Larissa, where, in addition to regular lessons, children are taught, six to seven hours a week, Hebrew, religion, history and language. In most of the communities there are rabbis of whom two originate from Greece and have studied in France, a third is studying in England. There are Hebrew teachers from Israel as well as two new Hebrew teachers whom the Central Council have educated abroad. There are communal centers for young men and women as well as for adults in most communities (Athens, Salonica, Larissa, Volos, Trikala, Chalkis, etc.). Similarly there are summer camps in Athens. Attendance of children at Jewish schools and camps is satisfactory, covering approximately seventy percent of all children.

Greek Jews, before the war and now, may be found in all professions ranging from workers to university professors, from clerks to businessmen. Moreover no profession is closed to Jews; in general, there has been no distinction at the expense of Jews either in the past or now.

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Olympic elegance: the 3000 year old airline

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Once in Europe, Olympic flies to London, Amsterdam, Zurich, Frankfort, Istanbul and, of course, to the Golden Isles of Greece.

Passengers agree that Olympic treats its clientele like visiting royalty. As a matter of fact, royal families of Europe often choose Olympic.

The surprising fact is: Despite its luxurious service, Olympic is no more expensive than any other airline.

Not only are tourists aware of this but they are convinced that there is more to Greece than ancient cities and ruins. For Olympic Airways has played an important role in modern Greek revival.

The Golden Isles of Greece are dotted with some of the most beautiful sun-drenched beaches in Europe; small fishing villages are the "in" places to visit; nightclubs and restaurants vie for the attention of the tourist interested in Greece's night life as well as the Acropolis. All this the tourist enjoys when he flies Olympic.

It is perhaps once in a decade that a new international airline comes into being. From its inception in 1957 -- though Olympic Airlines is the embodiment of a 3,000-year-old ideal -- this much traveled airline has offered flights of extraordinary service, efficiency and elegance.

In 1957 it started out with a DC-3 flight from Athens to Thessaloniki. International and domestic routes operated by 14 DC-3s and 1 DC-4. Then came the first DC-6B flight on Athens-Rome-Paris-London route with a staff of 865.

1958 found the delivery of two more DC-6Bs and 1 DC-4 as well as the first flight from Athens-Zurich-Frankfort. A highlight was the opening of the route to Tel Aviv. Its New York office, the first city in North America, began operations. The year 1960 saw the opening of routes to Brussels and Amsterdam and the introduction of non-stop flights between Athens and London as well as the inclusion of Middle Eastern destinations.

In 1960 Olympic's busy schedule included the opening of offices in Los Angeles and Chicago, thus branching throughout the United States. Up through 1964 saw Olympic's expansion with routes to Cairo, Corfu, cities in the Arabian Gulf, summer schedules with seasonal routes between Rhodes and Tel Aviv.

The delivery of three Boeing 707-320 super fan jets ushered in 1966. That year was held the inauguration of the transatlantic route with daily services between Athens and New York via Rome and Paris following the consecration of North American headquarters in New York. Non-stop flights between Athens and New York was introduced.

In 1967 Olympic Airways had a fleet consisting of 3 Boeing 707-320 super fan jets, 5 Comet 4B jets, 5 DC-6Bs, 6 DC-3s. On order: 1 Boeing 707-320; Staff, 3,300. Sales offices and representatives are all over the world, with key spots also in Canada.

Future plans include long term arrangements for expansion of routes and equipment and steady growth of Olympic Airways.

LINE IS COMING
CHICAGO - MONTREAL
ATHENS - TEL AVIV

Although still in the talking stage, Olypmic Airways, the Greek flag air-carrier owner by Aristotle Onassis, is giving serious thought to applying for new transatlantic route to originate at Chicago's O'Hare Field beginning in 1969, according to Chris Marcopoulos, General Manager, Western Hemisphere.

The route being discussed would be via Montreal, Canada, before crossing to Paris, Rome and Athens -- and with at least one of these flights offering non-stop service between Montreal and Athens each week.

In connection with its expansion plans, Marcopoulos notes that Olympic is scheduled to receive its fifth and sixth Boeing 707-320 superfam jet, in February and in April, 1969, which "will put us in excellent position for further growth in high-season business, running from mid-May through September each year."

Activity on the necessary clearances for a new route, including the formal negotiated landing rights between Greece and Canada, has not yet been started.

With many of its transatlantic flights currently continuing to run full in both directions long after the peak season, Olympic is optimistically projecting an increase of 15 to 20 per cent for both passenger and cargo business in 1968.

In line with this, the aircarrier will increase its weekly flight schedule out of John F. Kennedy International Airport 20 per cent, from 10 to 12 flights, beginning about June 1, including five non-stops between New York and Athens.

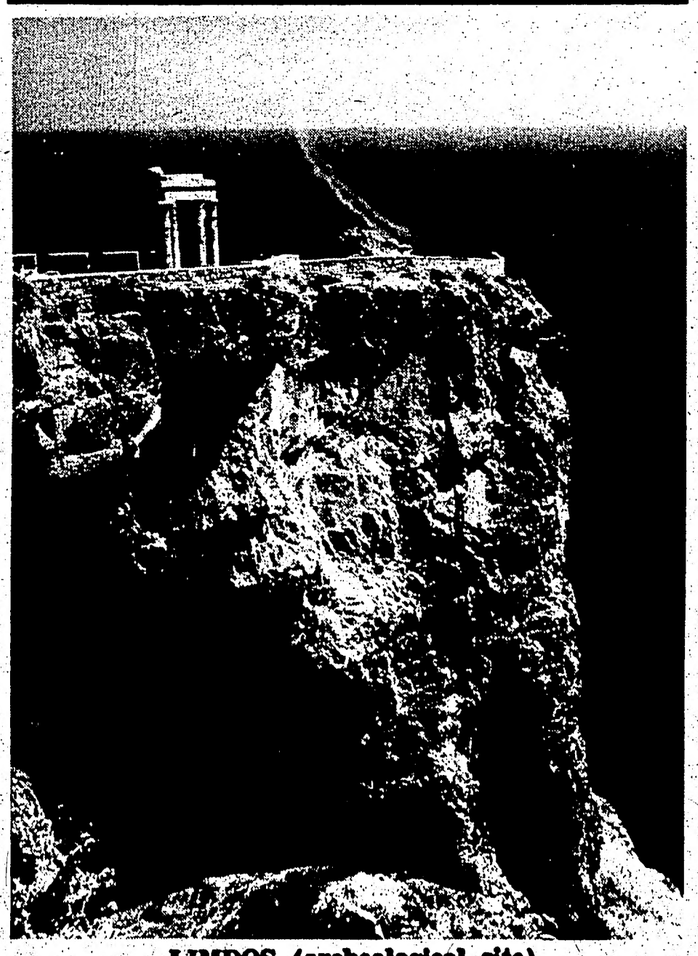
About the end of May, Olympic will receive and put into service a fourth 707-320 superfan jet, with a seating configuration of 145, as are the other three now in service.

In reviewing the current year, the first full-year transatlantic service, Marcopoulos reports that the average monthly increase in passengers over any of the seven months operated in '66 was about 500, which in terms of percentage increase falls somewhere between 25 and 30 per cent.

"This is particularly significant when these statistics are seen as continuing to stand up during October, November and December, normally the slow-season months," comments Marcopoulos.

Olympic's air cargo traffic has also shown steady progress. The current monthly cargo shipped from New York to Paris, Rome, Athens, Tel Aviv, Istanbul and other centres over the past 12 months has averaged approximately 200,000 pounds.

An educational tour of Toronto travel agents to Greece was arranged by Olympic Airways last month. Photo shows the party on arrival at Athens Airport. Left to right are: John Skelton Canada Manager Olympic Airways, Toronto, (in charge); John Tateos (the party's guide in Greece); Hugh Bearg of Wise Travel Toronto; Douglas Ney of Kingsway Travel; Louise Proulx of Tobins Travel Montreal; Ken Cambell of Ken Cambell Travel Toronto; William Portwood of New Toronto Travel; Byron Swayze of Byron Swayze Travel London, Ont. and Evangelos Valentis of OA, Athens. Also taking part in the tour but not present for the photo were George Huffman of Canadian Travel Advisors Ltd. Toronto and Arlen Rabjohn of Adventure House Travel Oakville, Ont.



LIMDOS (archeological site)
ISLAND OF RHODES (south Aegean Sea)

TRANSATLANTIC THRU-PLANE SERVICE
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DAY / FLIGHT NO. / CLASS		BOEING 707-320 FAN JETS							
		Mon	Tue		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		OA410 F/Y	OA412† F/Y	OA410 F/Y	OA410 F/Y	OA410 F/Y	OA420 F/Y	OA410 F/Y	OA420 F/Y
NEW YORK	Lv	22.10 Tue	21.00	22.10 Wed	22.10 Thu	22.10 Fri	22.10	22.10 Sun	22.10
PARIS	Ar	11.05	.....	11.05	11.05	11.05	.....	11.05	.....
	Lv	12.05	.....	12.05	12.05	12.05	.....	12.05	.....
ROME	Ar	13.45	.....	13.45	13.45	13.45	Sat 12.10	13.45	Mon 12.10
	Lv	14.30	.....	14.30	14.30	14.30	13.10	14.30	13.10
	Ar	17.10	Wed 13.20	17.10	17.10	17.10	15.50	17.10	15.50
ATHENS		OA258		OA262	OA258		OA262	OA258	OA262
	Lv	18.10	.....	18.20	18.10	.....	18.20	18.10	18.20
TEL AVIV	Ar	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	20.00	.....	20.00

WESTBOUND

DAY / FLIGHT NO. / CLASS		BOEING 707-320 FAN JETS							
		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
		OA259 F/Y	OA263 F/Y	OA259 F/Y	OA263 F/Y	OA259 F/Y	OA419 F/Y	OA411† F/Y	OA263 F/Y
TEL AVIV	Lv	.....	09.20	.....	09.20	.....	.....	.....	09.20
	Ar	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.05	11.05	.....	.....	11.05
ATHENS		OA409	OA419	OA409	OA409	OA409			OA409
	Lv	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.00	12.05
ROME	Ar	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	.....	12.50
	Lv	13.35	13.50	13.35	13.35	13.35	13.50	.....	13.35
PARIS	Ar	15.20	.....	15.20	15.20	15.20	.....	.....	15.20
	Lv	16.20	.....	16.20	16.20	16.20	.....	.....	16.20
NEW YORK	Ar	18.20	17.05	18.20	18.20	18.20	17.05	15.40	18.20

†—Effective Nov. 1, 1967 thru Jan. 7, 1968 and Mar. 12, 1968 thru Mar. 31, 1968.

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OLYMPIC AIRWAYS

GREECE ATTRACTS FOREIGN CAPITAL

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quired amount of drachmas on every occasion into foreign exchange for return and payment of interest, profits and salaries.

Tax exemptions are granted only to mainly exporting enterprises, industrial, mining or quarrying, which have been established or aided by foreign capital. The same thing applies also to enterprises established for the first time by foreign capital and through whose activities considerable amounts of foreign exchange are economised every year. Facilities granted to such enterprises consist in stabilising or reducing taxation on net profits, in reduction of, or exemption from duties on imported equipment and in reduction of, or exemption from charges in favour of various public organisations. On the other hand, an esential guarantee is that property acquired by foreign capital is not subject to expropriation or requisition.

Finally, return of imported capital may be realised after one year, at a maximum annual rate of 10%.

It is an unquestionable fact that both Law 2687/53 and other measures taken have been of great service to Greek industries and to the country's industrialisation.

MORE CAPITAL

Capital imported on the strength of Law 2687/53 amounts to $794,240,610. This amount includes $106,969,765 covering the period from January to October 1967, out of which $18,595,458 were imported from January to April 21, and $88,347,307 from April 21 to October.

If we examine the trend of foreign capital, we can easily ascertain that preference is given to enterprises with prospects of extensive development, that is to say, transport (including shipbuilding), oil, paper, chemical and metallurgical enterprises.

37% FOREIGN CAPITAL

According to the latest statistical data, contribution of foreign capital to Greek industry covers 37% of the total capital of private industrial enterprises. To this should be added foreign capital used in the industrial enterprises "Aluminium Greece" and the fertilizer factories of the National and Commercial Banks of Greece, totalling approximately 67 million dollars.

The possibilities of developing Greek economy, though unlimited, are still unexploited. Industry and tourism are in a stage of development, while the continuous structural and institutional changes in agriculture allow the development of a corresponding industry making agricultural products qualitatively and economically competitive. The Greek people are inspired by the desire of Greece's rapid economic development and alignment with developed countries. This aim can only be achieved by ensuring stable currency and a stable political regime, by channelling popular savings to industry and productive investments and by contribution of foreign capital.

All the existing prerequisites in Greece converge in this direction and ensure still further the possibility of realising this aim.

POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC STABILITY

The political and currency regime, which had been menaced by the political turmoil of the last two years, is particularly stable today.

Improvement of the people's living conditions allows popular savings which are now readily converted into stock, turnover of which during the period from May to October 1967 amounted to 503 million drachmas, as compared with 338 millions during the corresponding period in 1966. Private deposits total 56,000 million drachmas today. Finally, within the first 10 months of the year, private savings covered two bonded loans, one of the Public Power Corporation and one of the state, amounting to 2,430 million drachmas.

A POWERFUL CAPITAL MARKET

The existing possibilities of Greek economy have allowed the Greek Government to tackle the problem of creating a powerful local capital market-practically non existent until now - and succeed in establishing it on a sound basis by introducing two laws. These laws are based on the right composition of private investments in privately owned capital, borrowed capital and capital which the public entrusts to private enterprising activity through the capital market. The provisions of these laws regarding industrial incentives and the capital market also influence beneficially industrial enterprises established or to be established by foreign capital.

However favorable the internal prerequisites of Greece for the creation of a capital market from local resources may be, speeding up of economic development demands an increased flow of foreign capital. Understanding this, the Greek Government took effective measures simplifying bureaucratic procedure regarding importation of foreign capital on the strength of Law 2687/53. On the other hand, Law 89/67 allows foreign commercial and industrial companies operating abroad, to establish themselves in Greece. They are granted duty, taxation and other facilities, provided they are engaged in business whose object is outside Greece.

AIR VIEW OF MODERN ATHENS

On the strength of the said law, the establishment in Greece of eleven foreign commercial and industrial companies has already been approved. Three of these companies are from the United States, two from Panama and one from each of the following countries: Western Germany, Holland, Sudan, Lebanon and Kuweit.

INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE

Importing of foreign capital is increasing and covering a growing percentage of the country's total productive investments. A characteristic fact is the signing of the agreement with LITTON BENELUX for the economic development of Crete and Western Peloponese, involving an investment of 830 million dollars. In parallel, this stresses the absolute confidence of international economy in Greek economy. Thus, today, that the Greek economic regime justifies international confidence in its stability, there is every prerequisite for the development of capital lending relations and closer economic cooperation in general between Greece and Canada, which will be beneficial on both sides, seeing that, until now, Canadian capital has not been linked with Greek economy.

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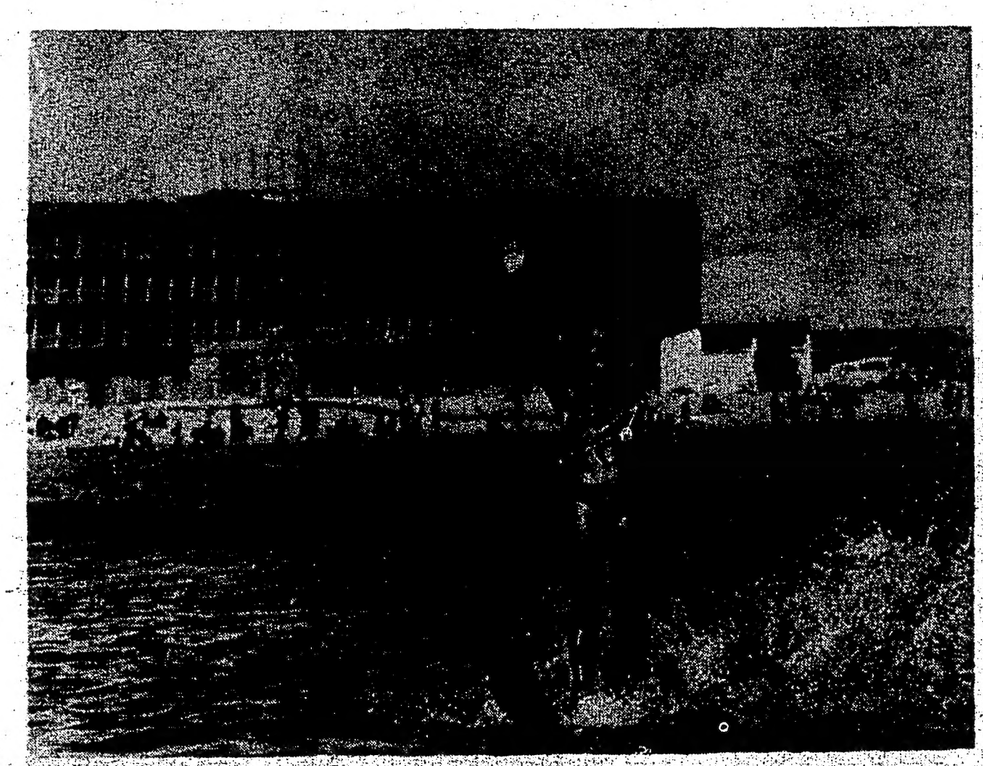

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